



5 Worlds

THE AMBER ANTHEM

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SALASSANDRA

"The Mystic's Moon"



Capital: AMBRINE

Seat of government: Council of the Faiths (Itinerant)

Beacon: YELLOW

Home of the Yellow Beacon, Salassandra is a kaleidoscope of over two hundred religions, some large, some small, some ancient, some new, some genuine, some much less so. Pilgrims come to the Mystic's Moon from all over the Five Worlds. They may find what they seek, but those questing after legends of local spirits called the Salassi Devoti—said to have a special connection to the ancient Felids—come away disappointed: if the stories were ever true, the Devoti are nowhere to be seen. The moon is run mostly by local tribes, overseen by a Council of the Faiths.



G.RIMBO (E)
"Mass Ocean"



MON DOMANI
"Madhouse World"



MOON YATTA
"The Superpower"



TORI
"The Chalk Kingdom"



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"Distinctly unique. . . . It oozes with imagination and creativity."

—*Bam! Smack! Pow!*

"An intriguing beginning to what is sure to be a fascinating series."

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"Beautiful, with a vast array of characters and creatures from the various worlds."


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"A magical adventure full of wisdom, humor, and enough girl power
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—*Abigail, age 10*

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but this book changed my mind."

—*Lucius, age 9*



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THE AMBER ANTHEM

Mark
SIEGEL



Alexis
SIEGEL



Xanthe
BOUMA




Boya
SUN



Matt
ROCKEFELLER



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OONA LEE, the young
Sand Dancer from
Mon Domani



AN TZU, the boy from
the slums of Sao Sablo,
with **RAM SAM SAM**, a
sentient oil being from
Salassandra



JAX AMBOY,
the superstar
Starball player,
secretly an android

STAN MOON, head of
Stan Moon Industries



THE STORY SO FAR...



To save the **FIVE WORLDS** from dying out, **OONA** and her friends must light all five ancient beacons: white, red, blue, yellow, and green.



For centuries, the **Living Fire** that lights beacons was the stuff of legend—until three children produced it on the blue world of **Toki**.



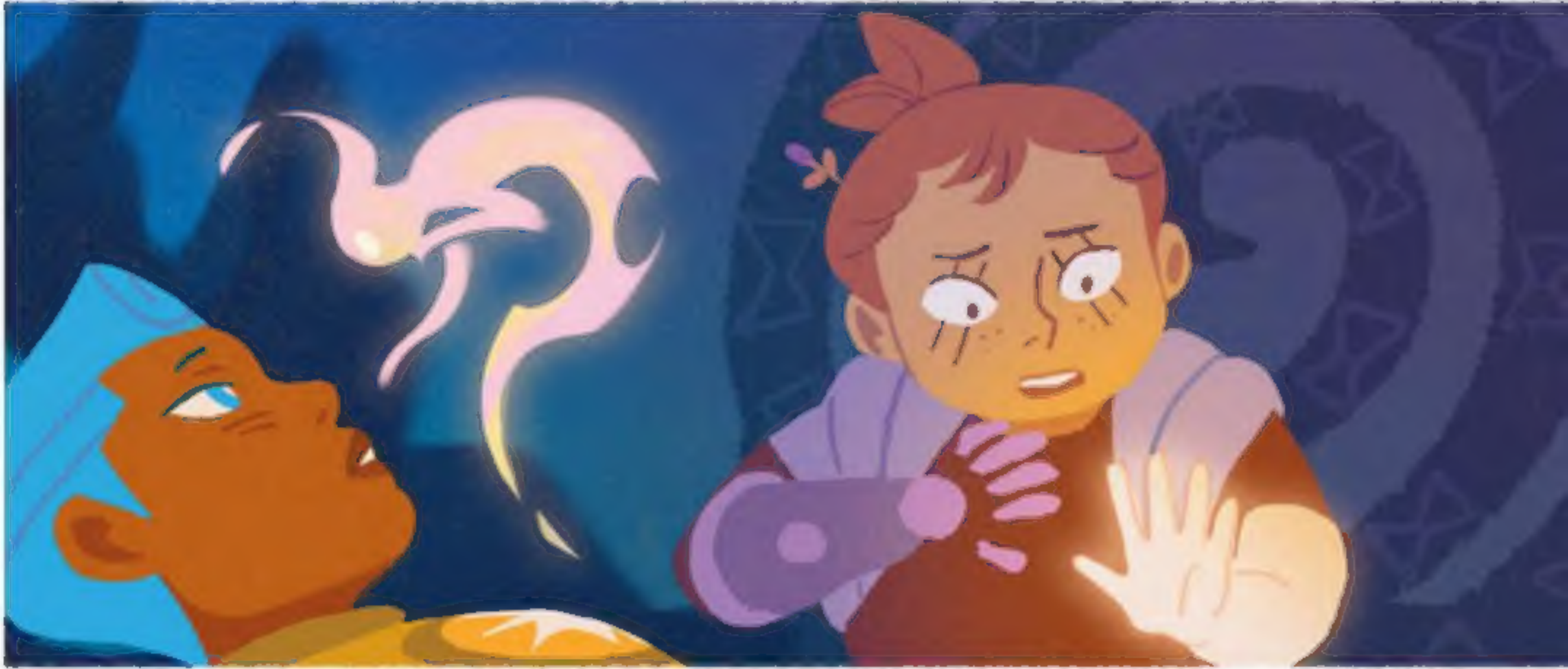
The destinies of **OONA**, **AN TZU**, and **JAX** collided in the wreckage of **Chrysalis Stadium** as war raged on **Mon Domani**.

With help from her friends, clumsy **OONA** summoned a **Sand Warrior** and lit the **White Beacon** of **Mon Domani**.



On **Toki**, **OONA** fought against an evil prince and discovered the truth of her heritage—that she was born on the blue planet.

The battle against the **Cobalt Prince**, and the evil **MIMIC** controlling him, was won, but at great cost: **OONA's** sister **JESSA** sacrificed herself.



On Salassandra, **JAX** merged with a Salassi spirit known as a **DEVOTI** to become human.

AN TZU suffers from a mysterious **Vanishing Illness** and is beginning to fade away. He uses prosthetics to help maintain his physical form.



On Moon Yatta, **OONA** trained with **MASTER ZELLE**, who taught her how to create portals to defeat the **Red Maze**.

Using a portal, **OONA** lit the **Red Beacon**. Immediately afterward, **VECTOR SANDERSON**, now the new Prince of Toki, lit the **Blue Beacon**.



STAN MOON, possessed by the evil **MIMIC**, was elected head of Moon Yatta. He has vowed to hunt down **OONA** and her friends.

OONA, **JAX**, and **AN TZU** are now traveling aboard the **Filitori**, heading toward Salassandra and the **Yellow Beacon**....

I see moonbeams in your smile!

I hear sunbeams in your voice!

I see starlight in your eyes!

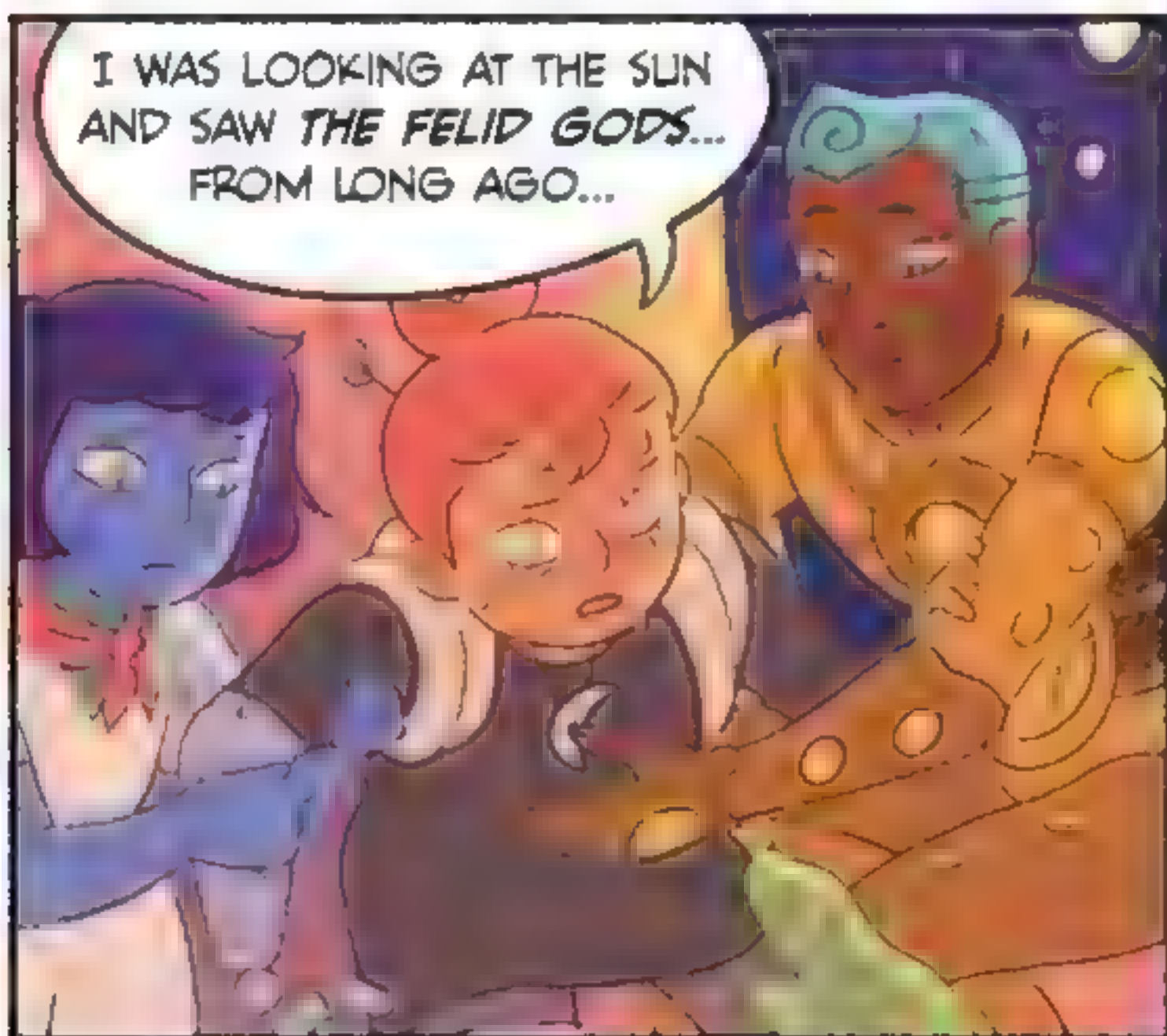
—CASCADILLE, "THE TOKI GIRL FROM MON DOMANI"

PROLOGUE
A VISION

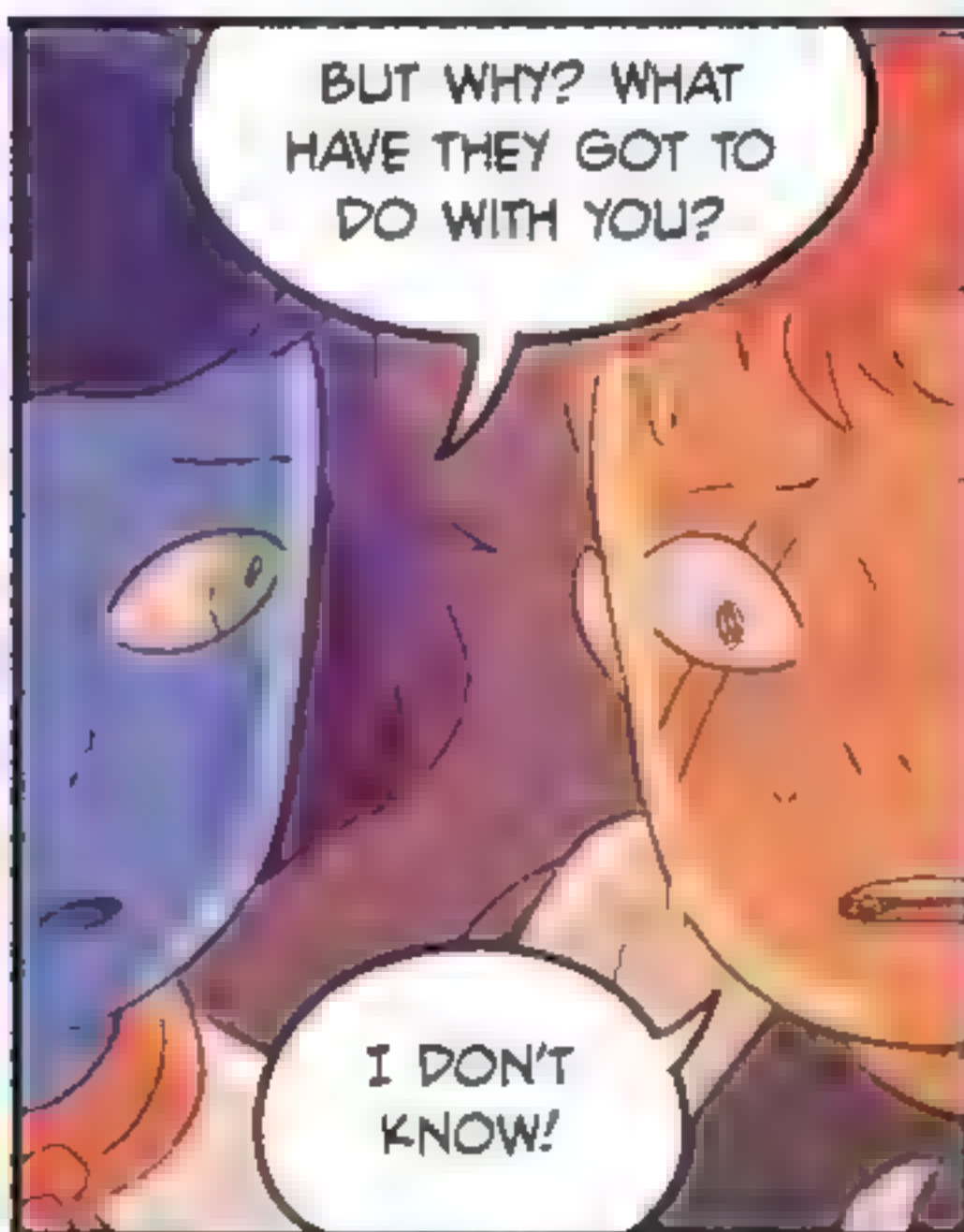
AN TZU,
WHAT DO
YOU SEE?

HOME!



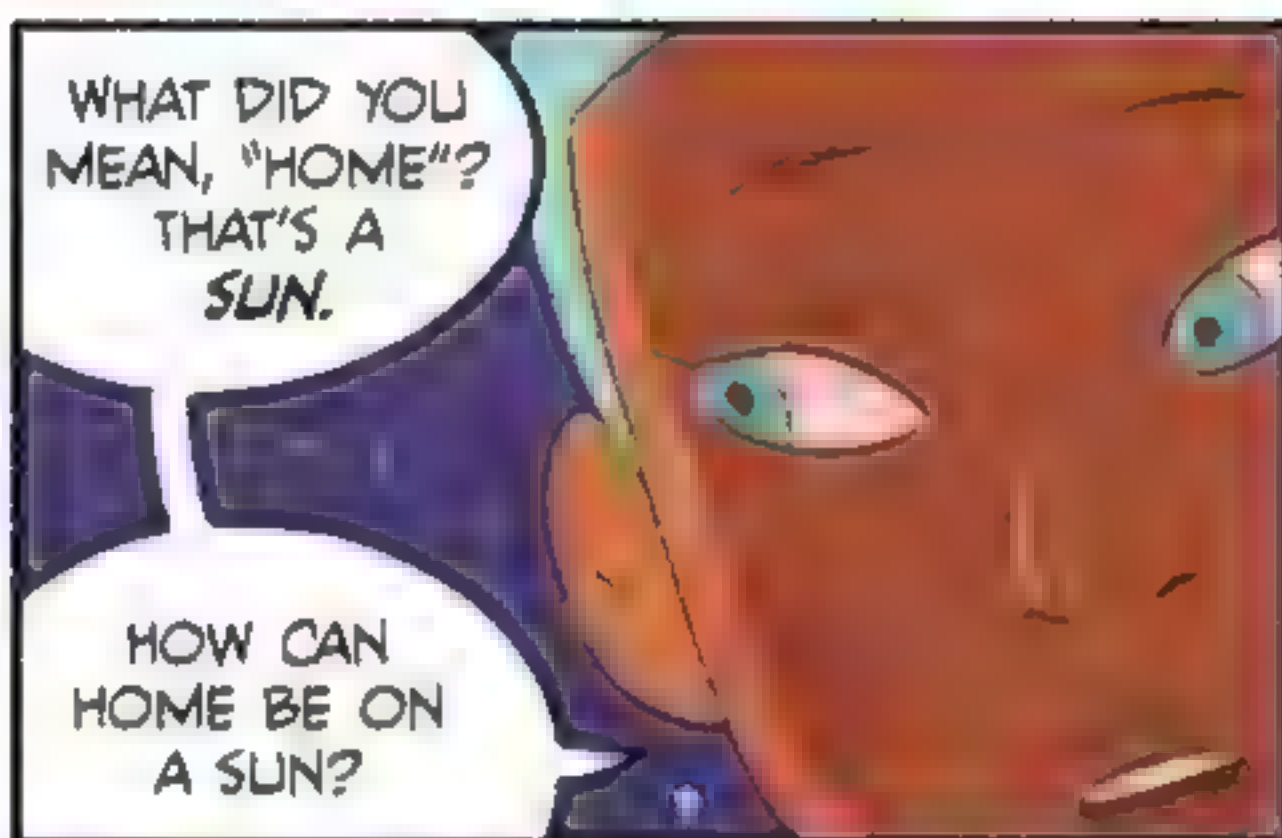


I WAS LOOKING AT THE SUN
AND SAW *THE FELID GODS*...
FROM LONG AGO...



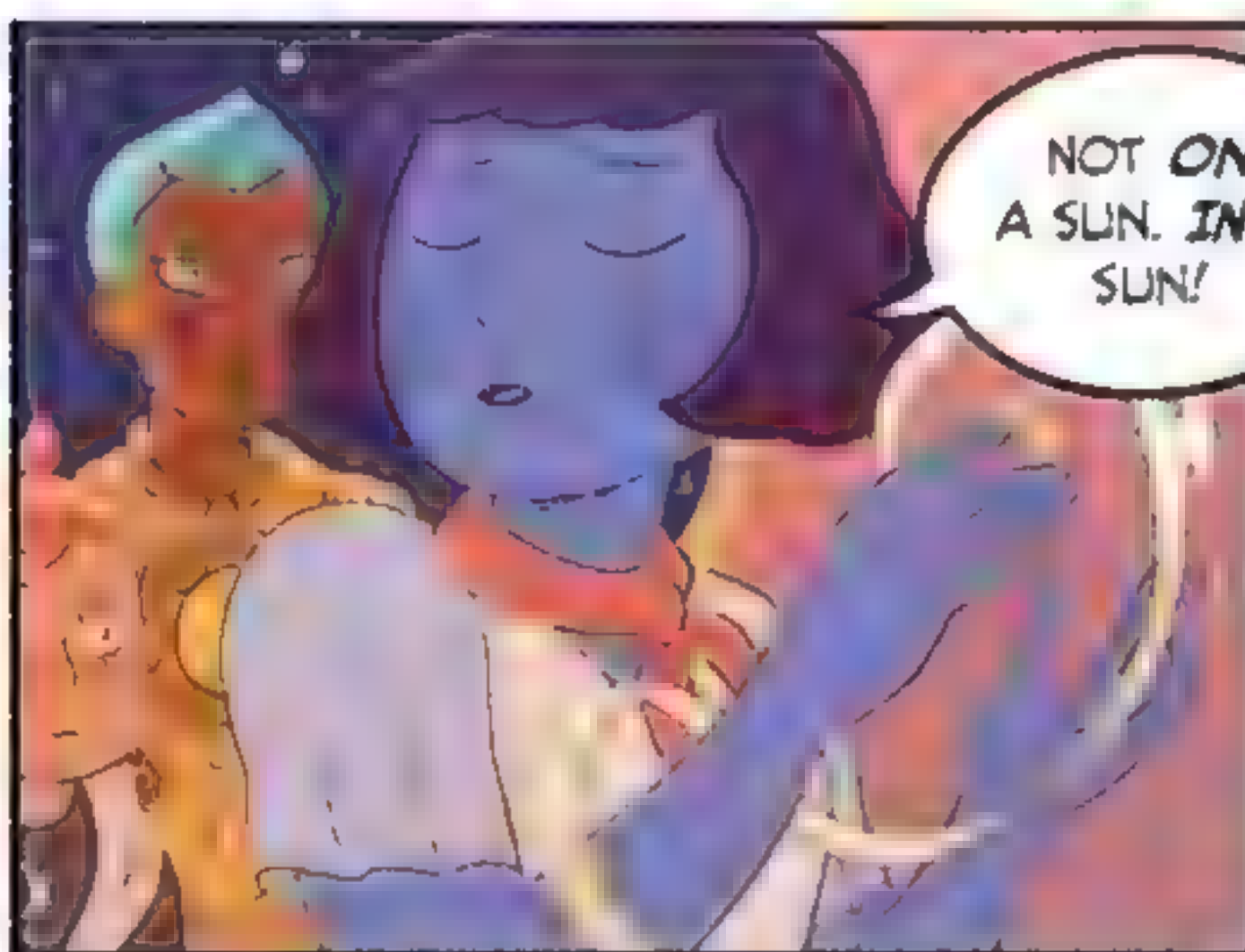
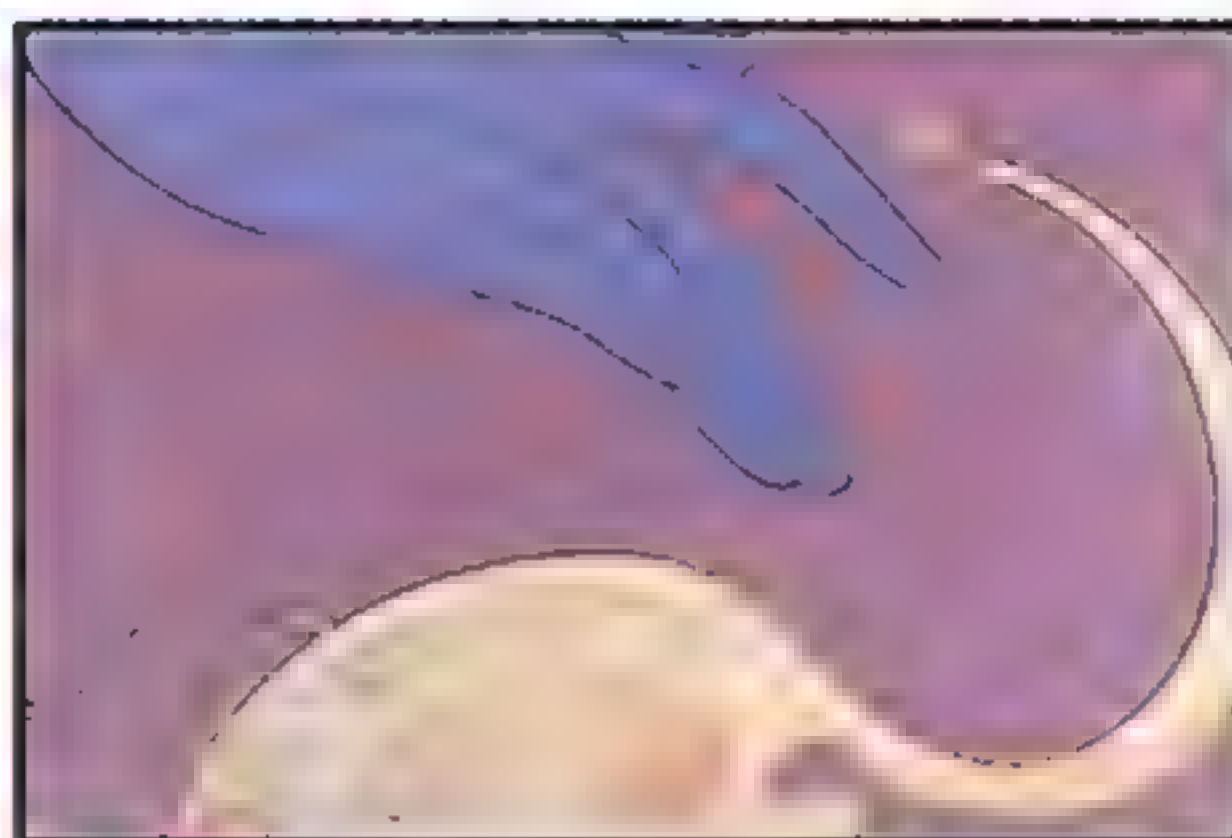
BUT WHY? WHAT
HAVE THEY GOT TO
DO WITH YOU?

I DON'T
KNOW!

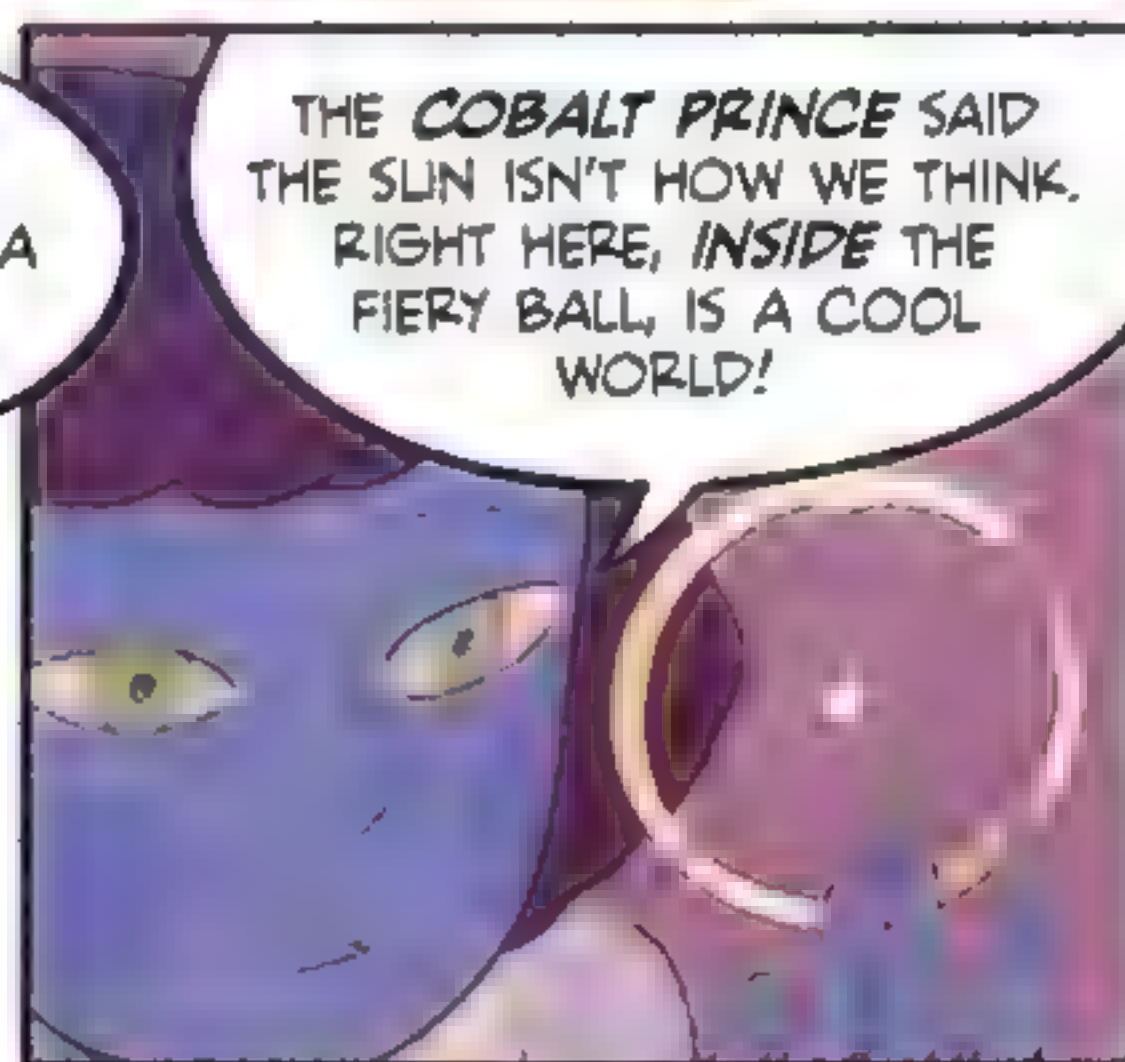


WHAT DID YOU
MEAN, "HOME"?
THAT'S A
SUN.

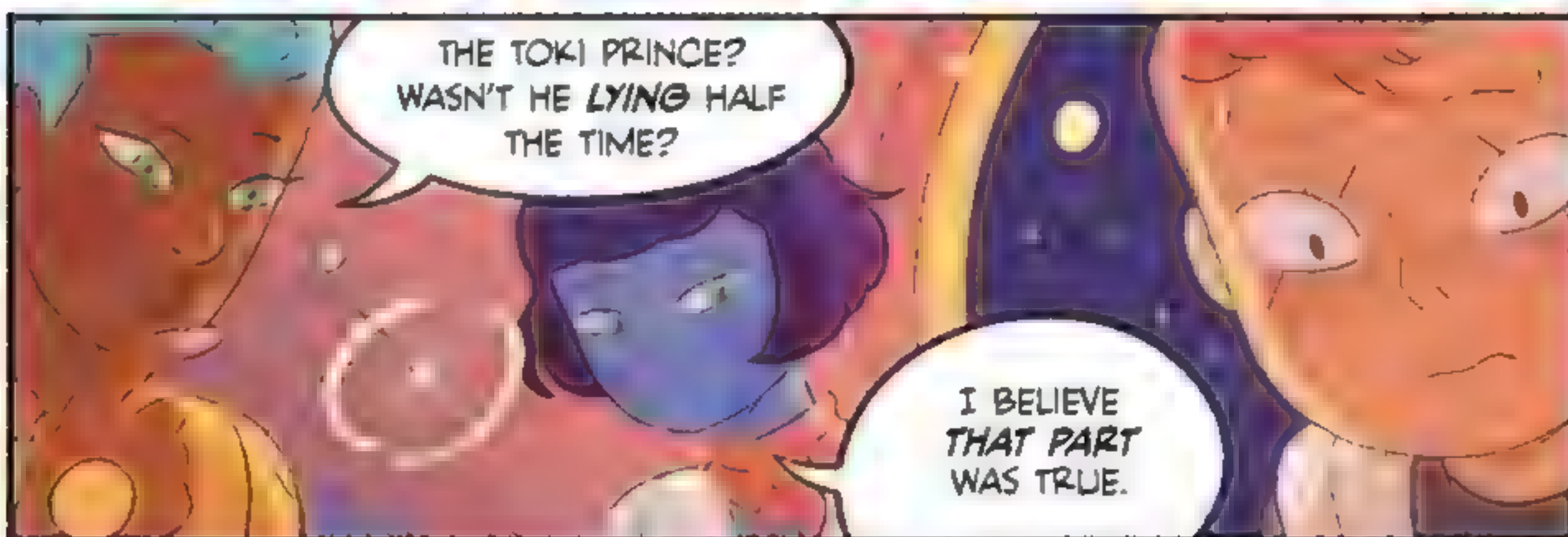
HOW CAN
HOME BE ON
A SUN?



NOT *ON*
A SUN. *IN* A
SUN!



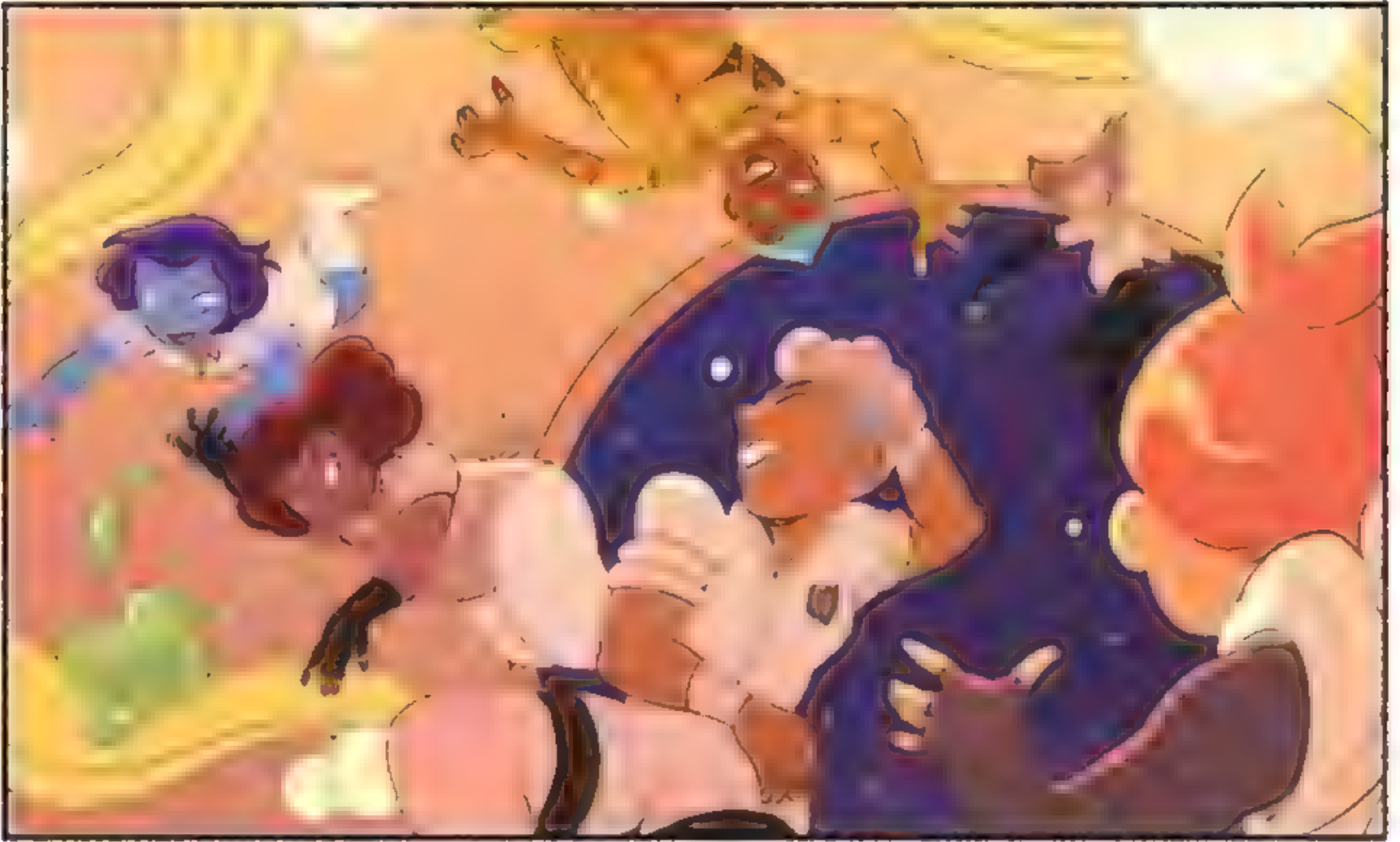
THE *COBALT PRINCE* SAID
THE SUN ISN'T HOW WE THINK.
RIGHT HERE, *INSIDE* THE
FIERY BALL, IS A COOL
WORLD!



THE *TOKI PRINCE*?
WASN'T HE *LYING* HALF
THE TIME?

I BELIEVE
THAT PART
WAS TRUE.







CHAPTER 1

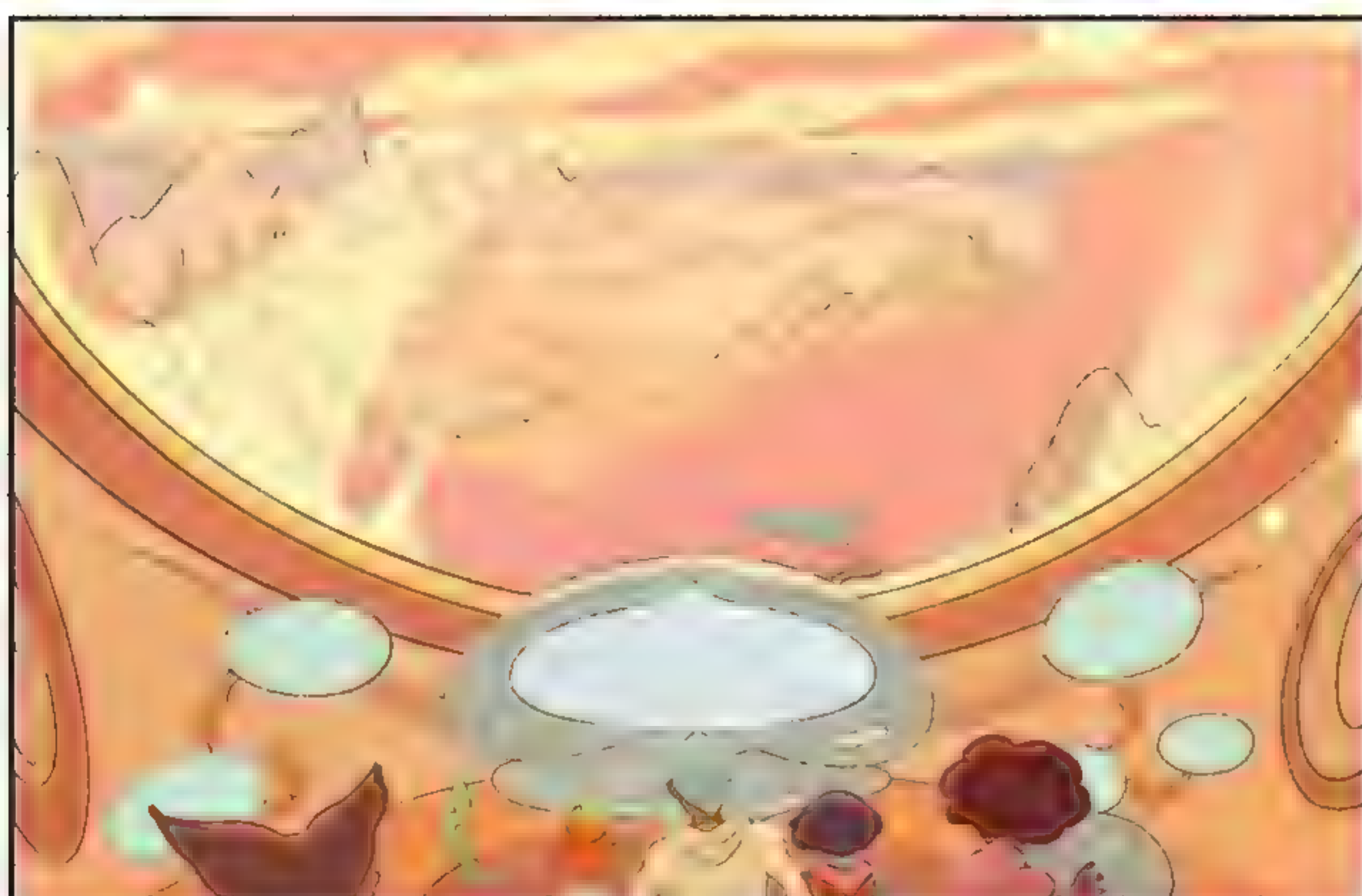
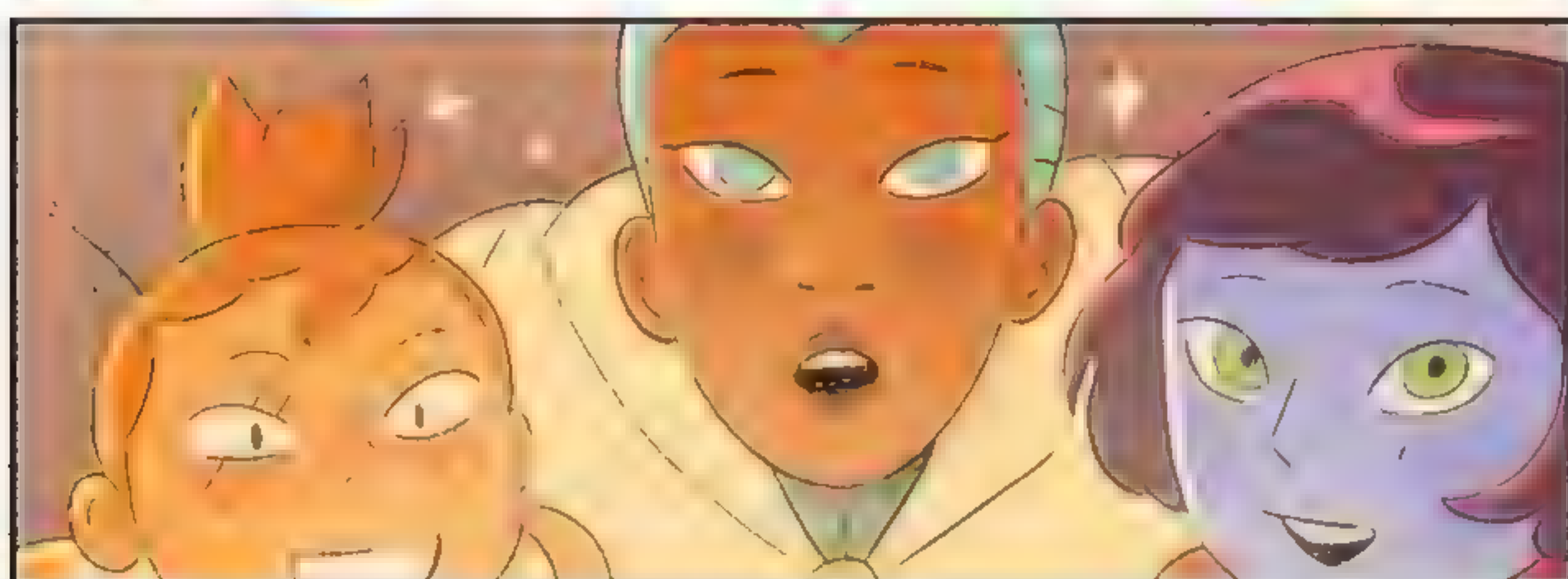
THE GOLDEN GLYPHS



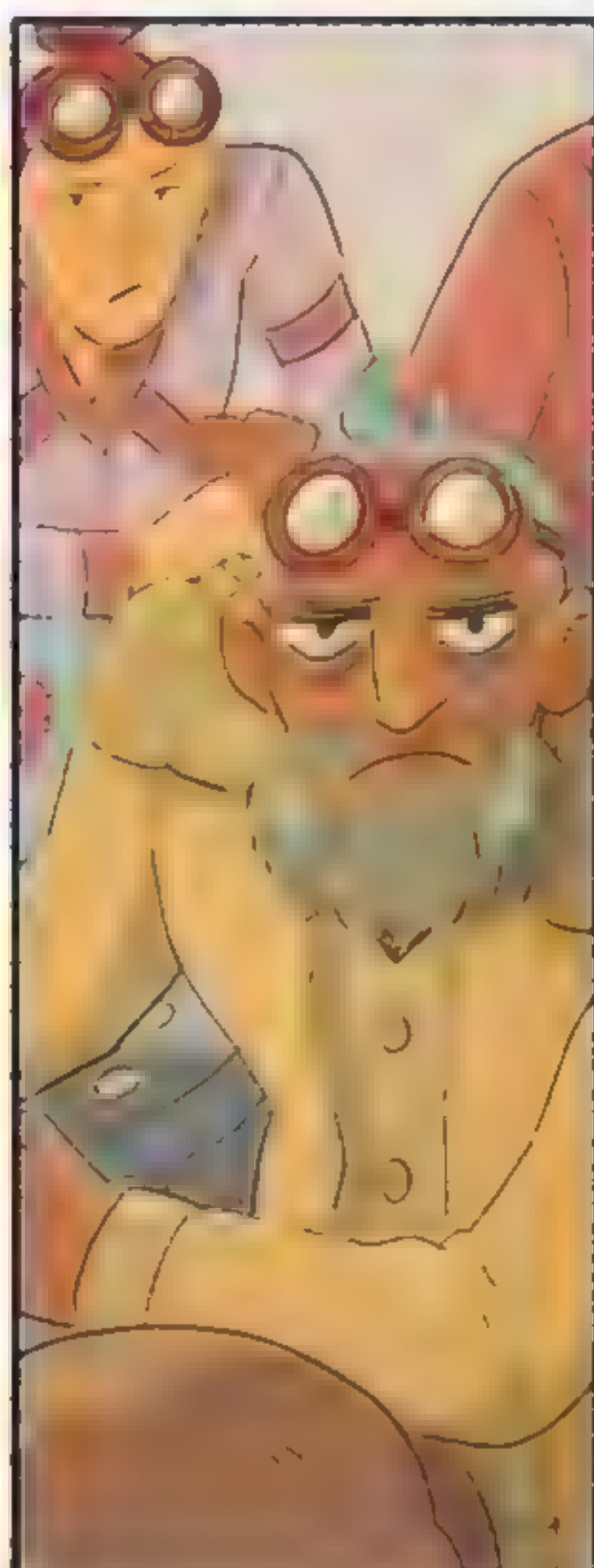
OONA!

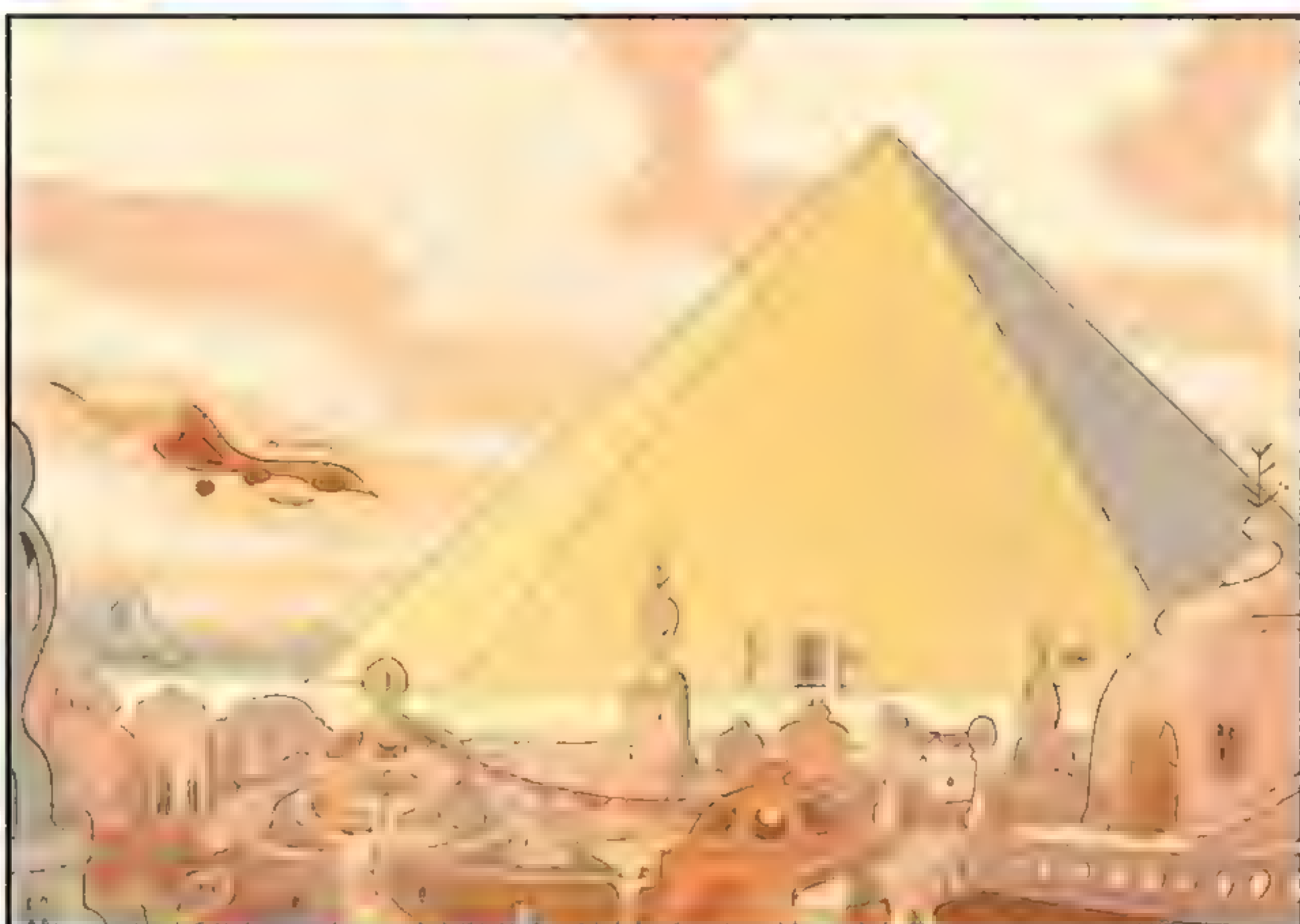
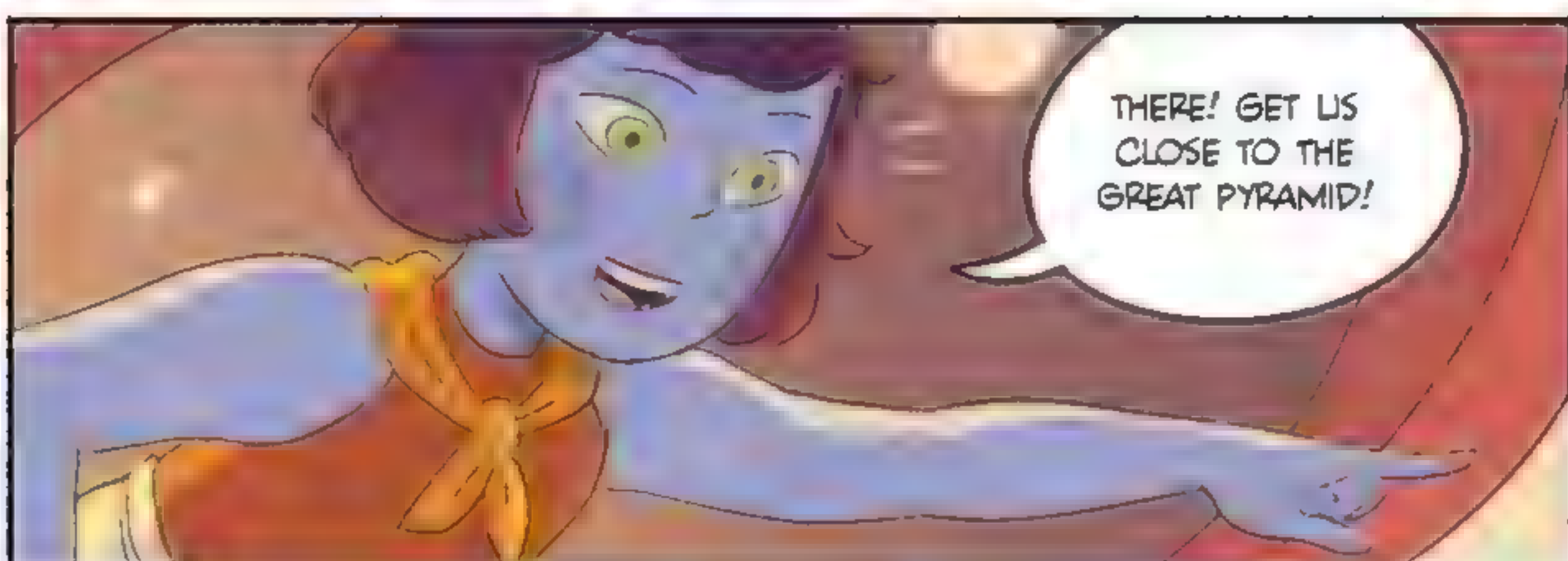


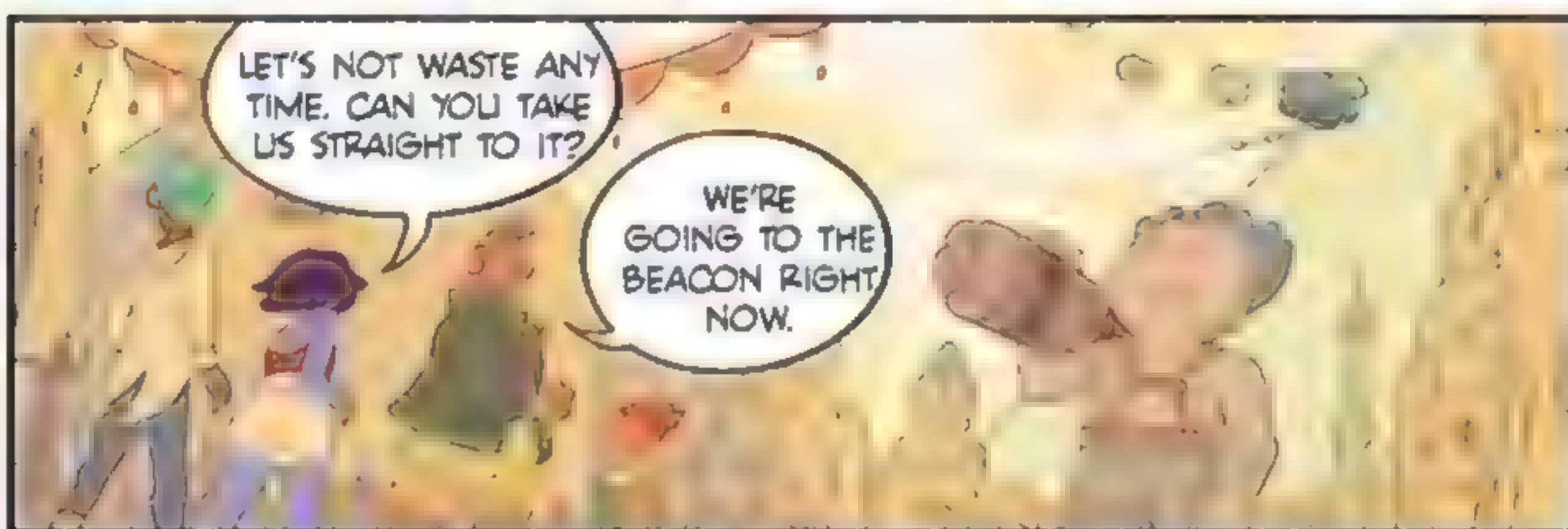
WAKE UP!
WE'RE HERE!













THE **BIG**
PEOPLE SEEM
LIKE THEY ARE
SLEEPWALKING.

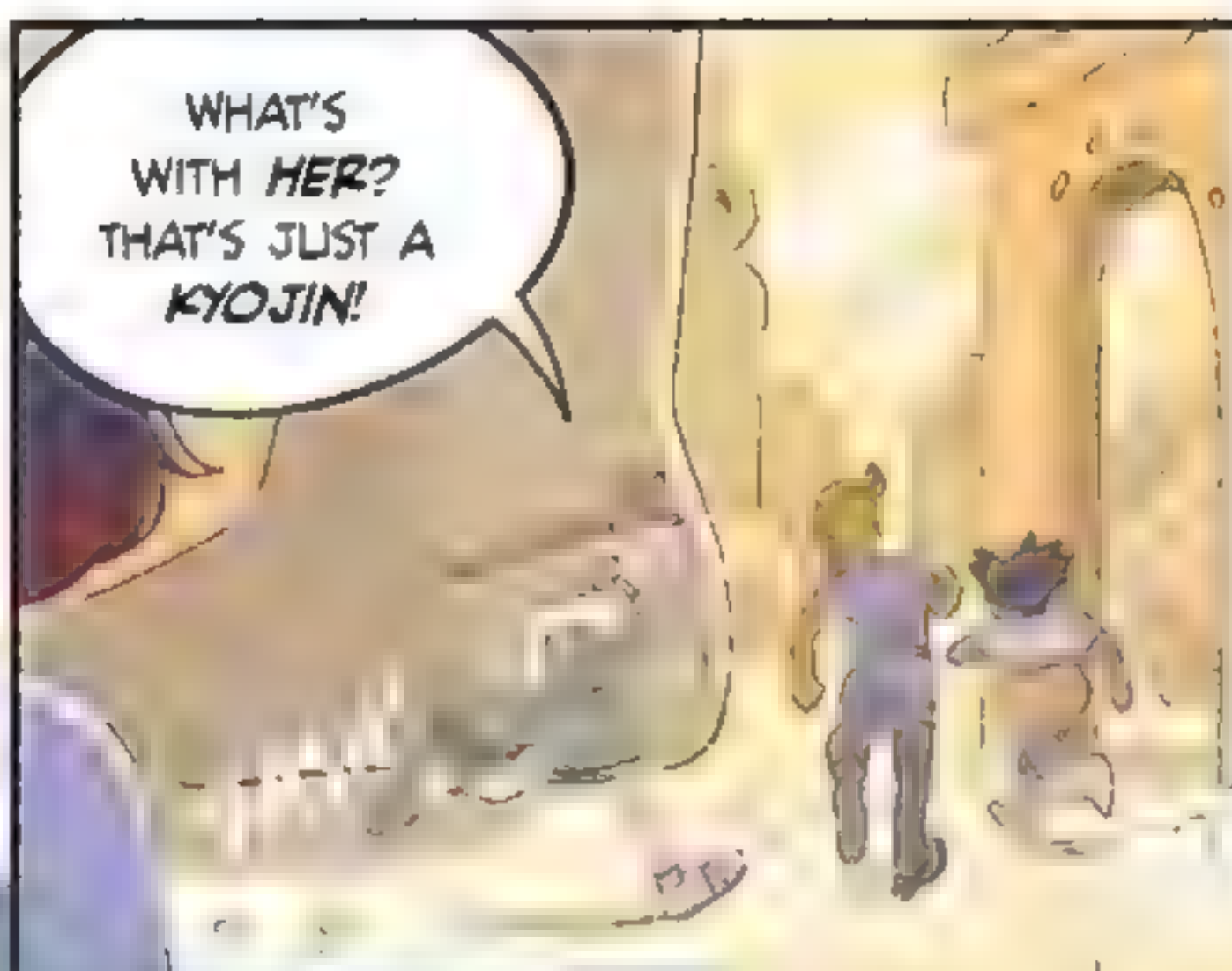
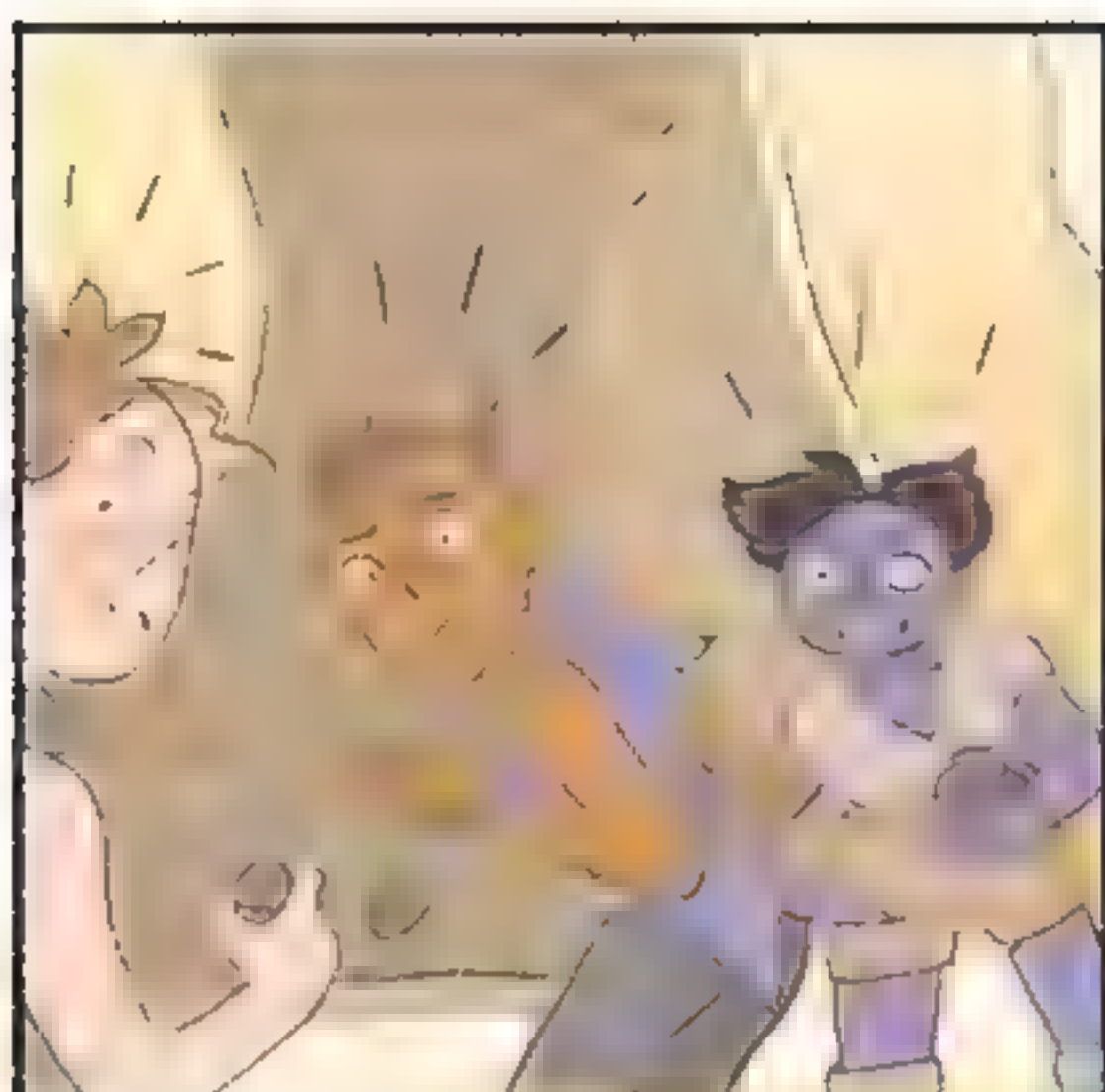
THE
SLUMBERING
KYOJIN ARE IN A KIND
OF **TRANCE**. THEY CARRY
SLOW CARGO AROUND FOR
MONEY AND RARELY SPEAK.
THOUGH EVER SINCE **THE**
WHITE BEACON TURNED
ON, THEY'VE BEEN
HUMMING A LITTLE
MUSIC.

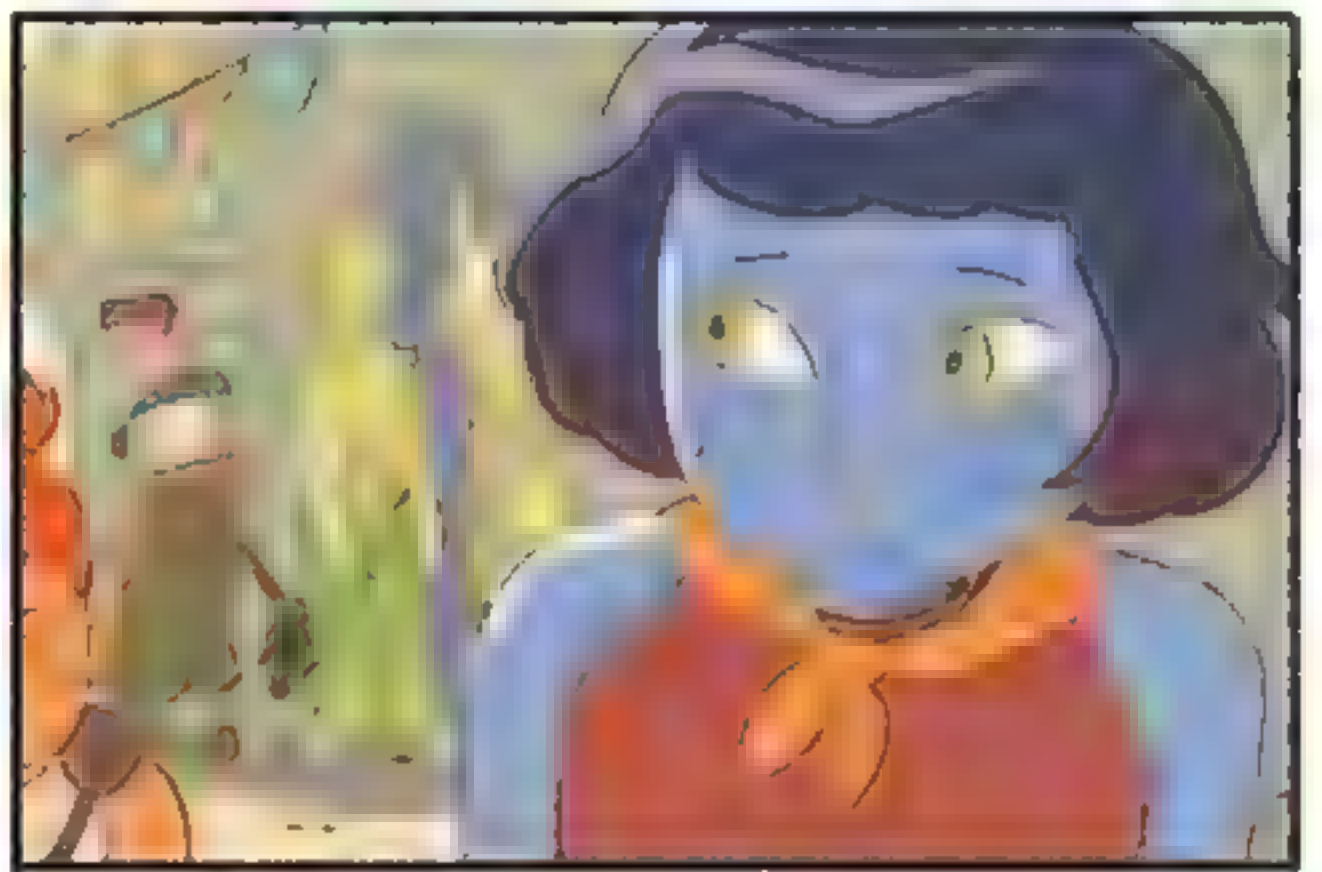
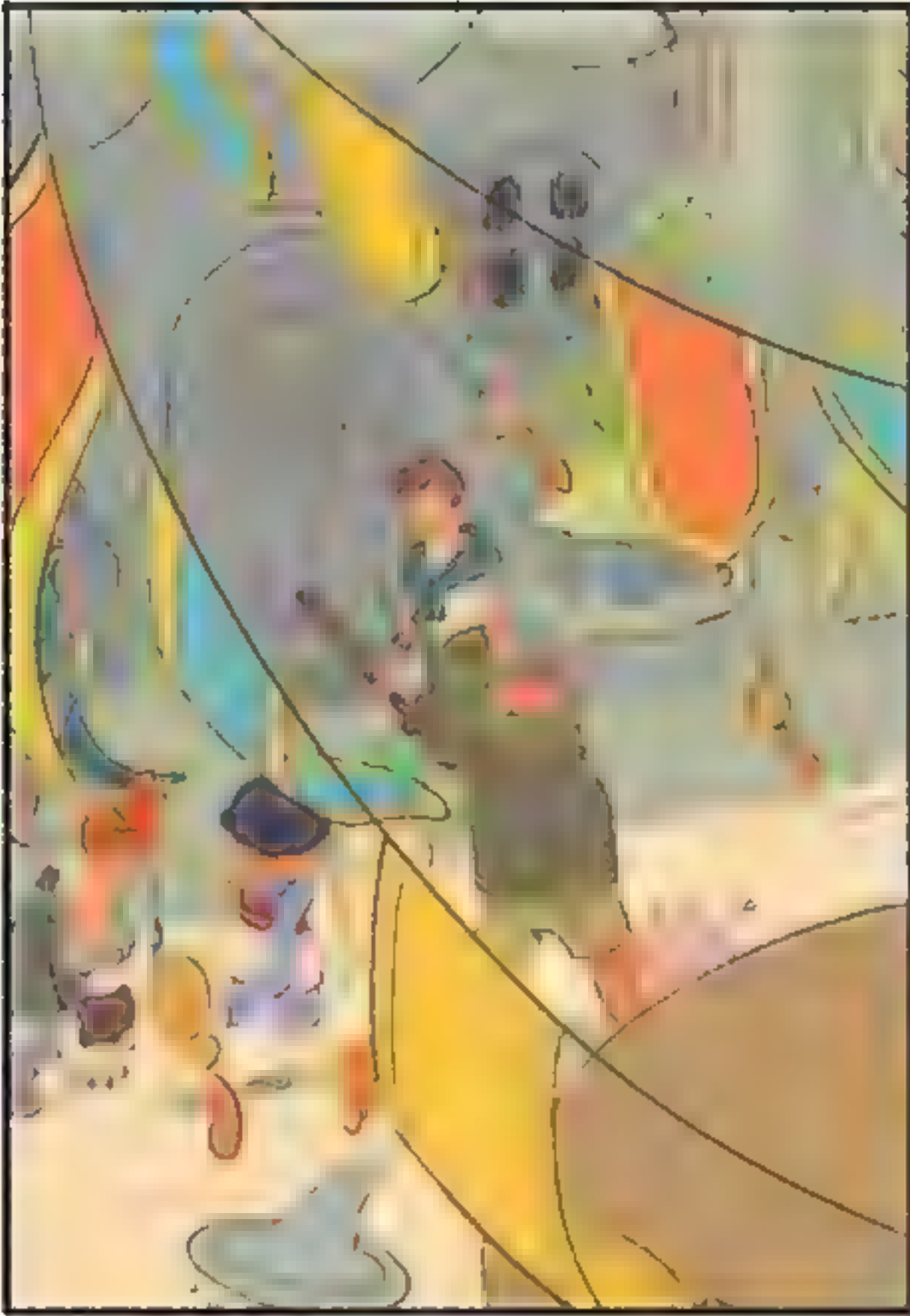


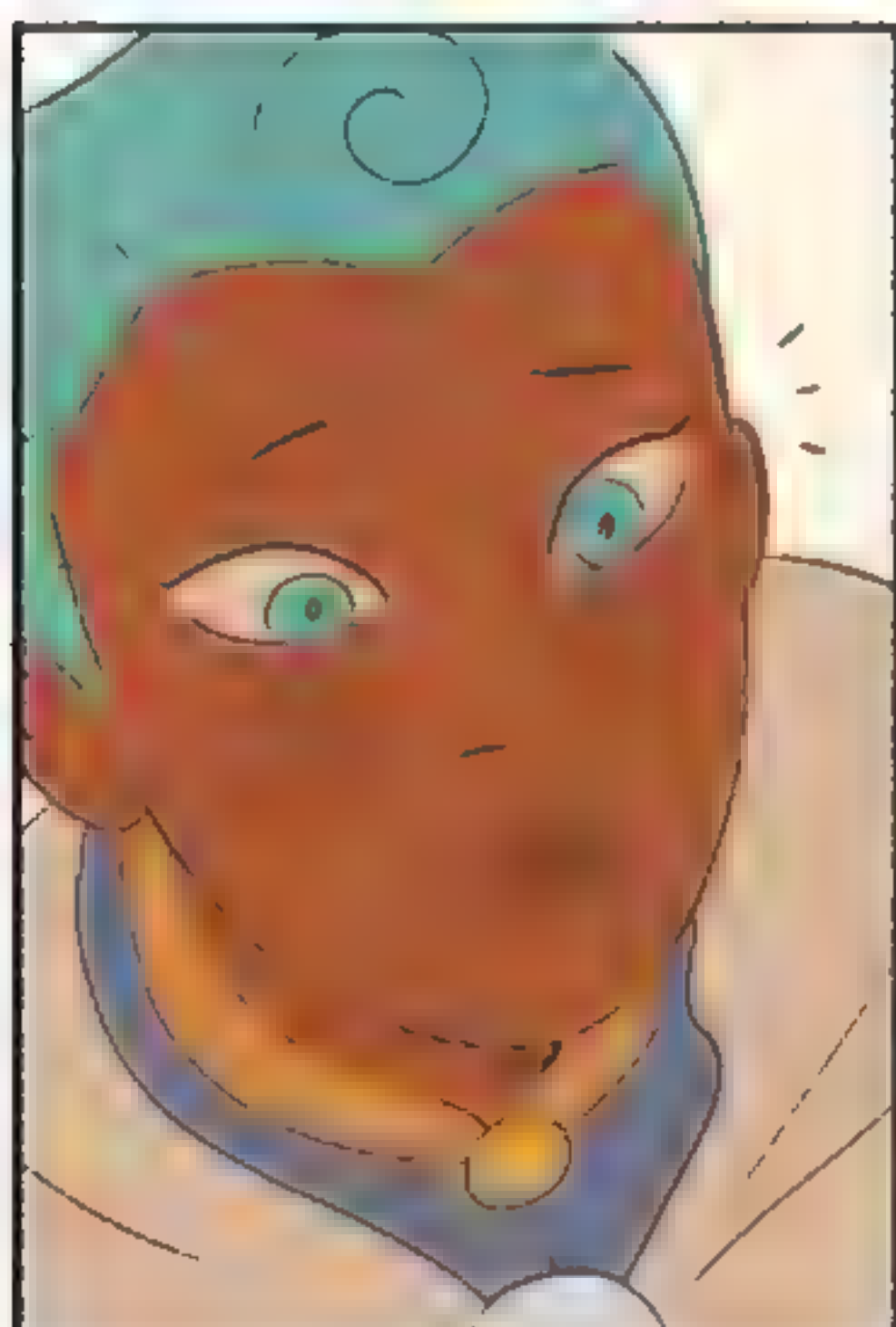
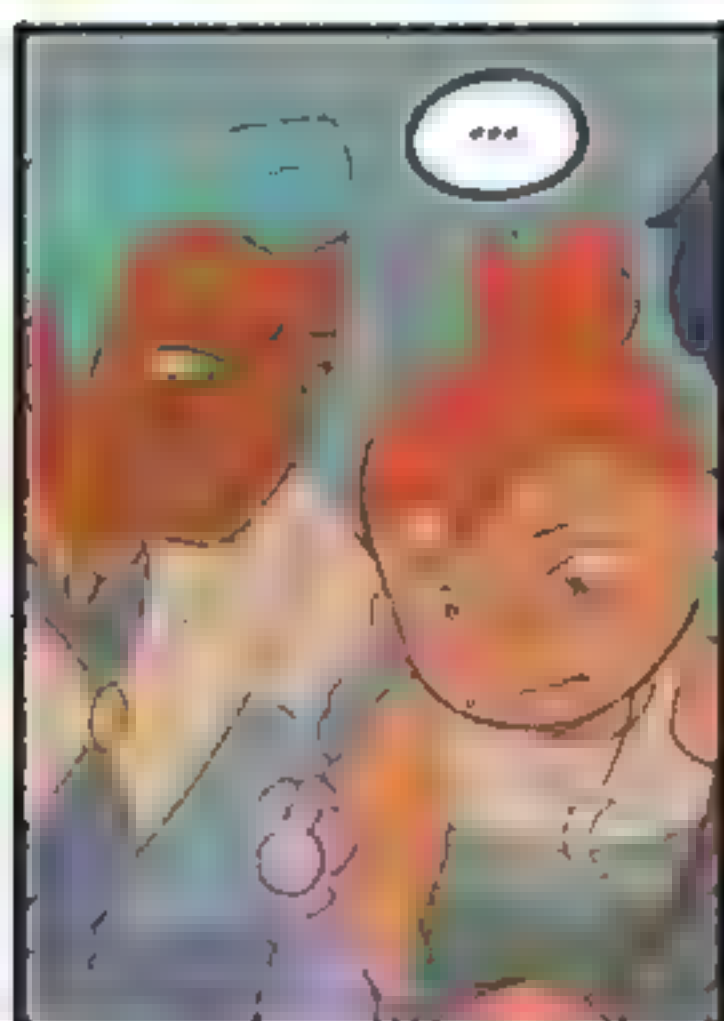
THOSE
CHILDREN
ARE THROWING
STONES AT IT.



HEY!
STOP
DOING
THAT!!





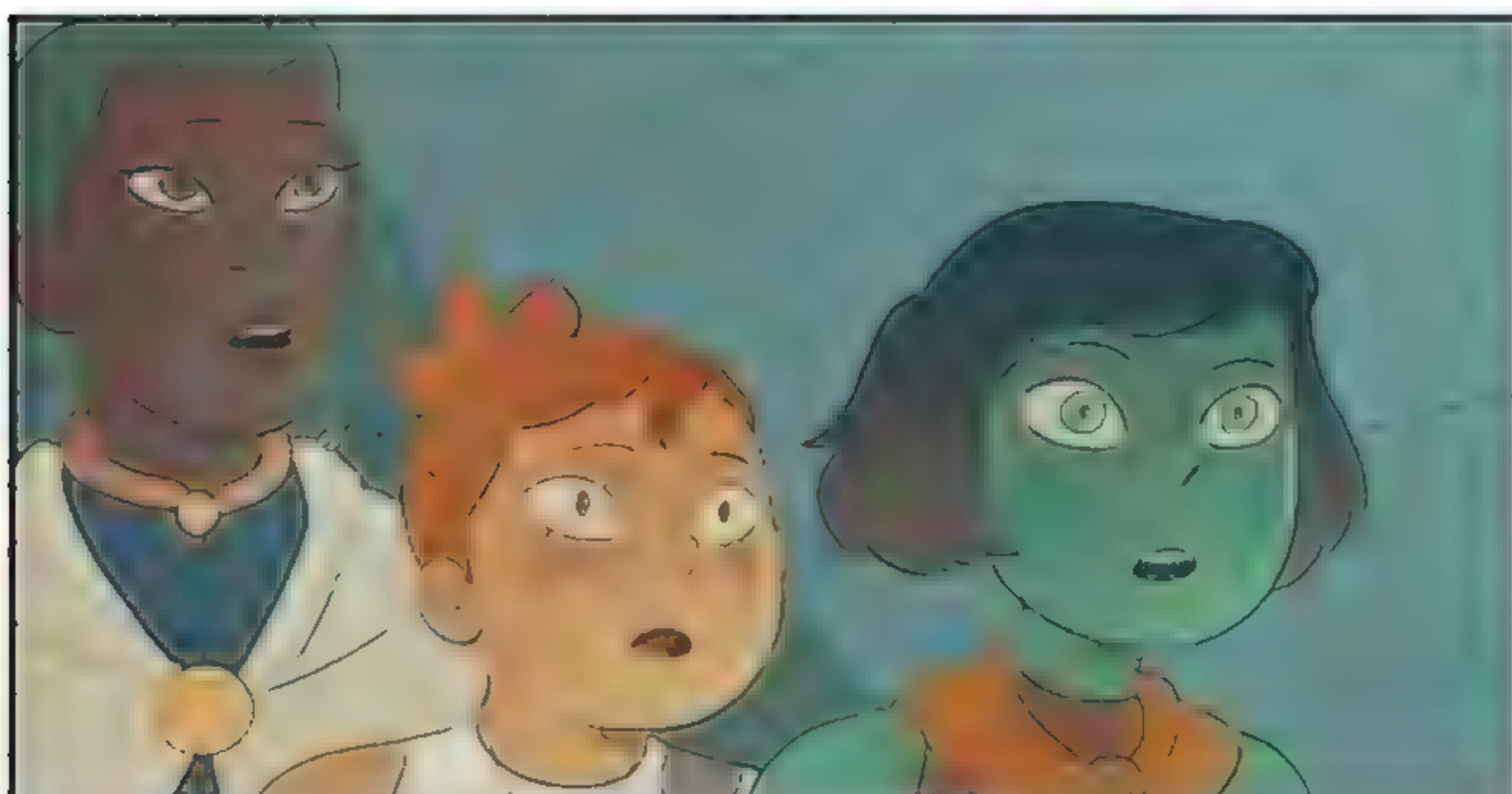


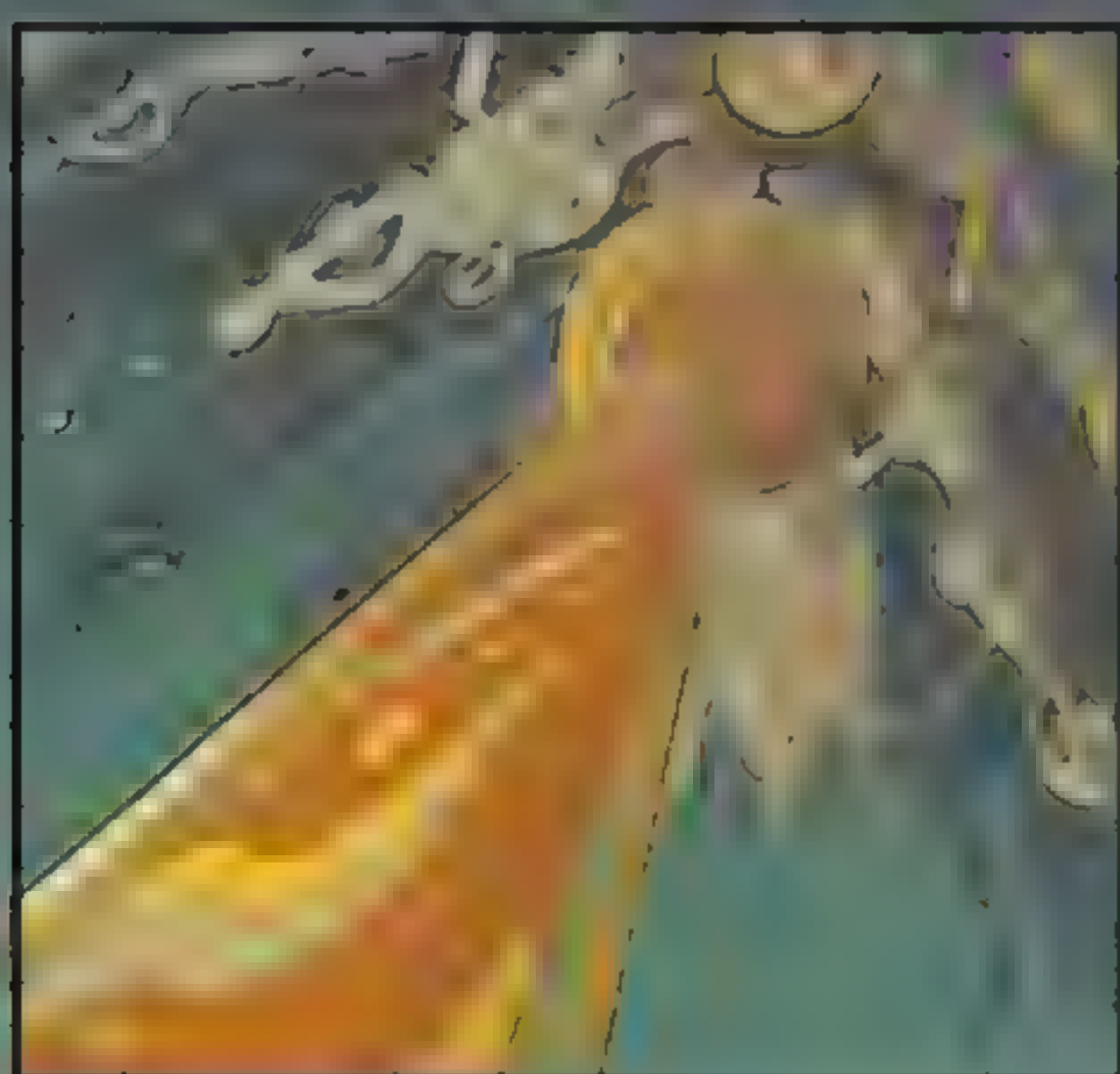


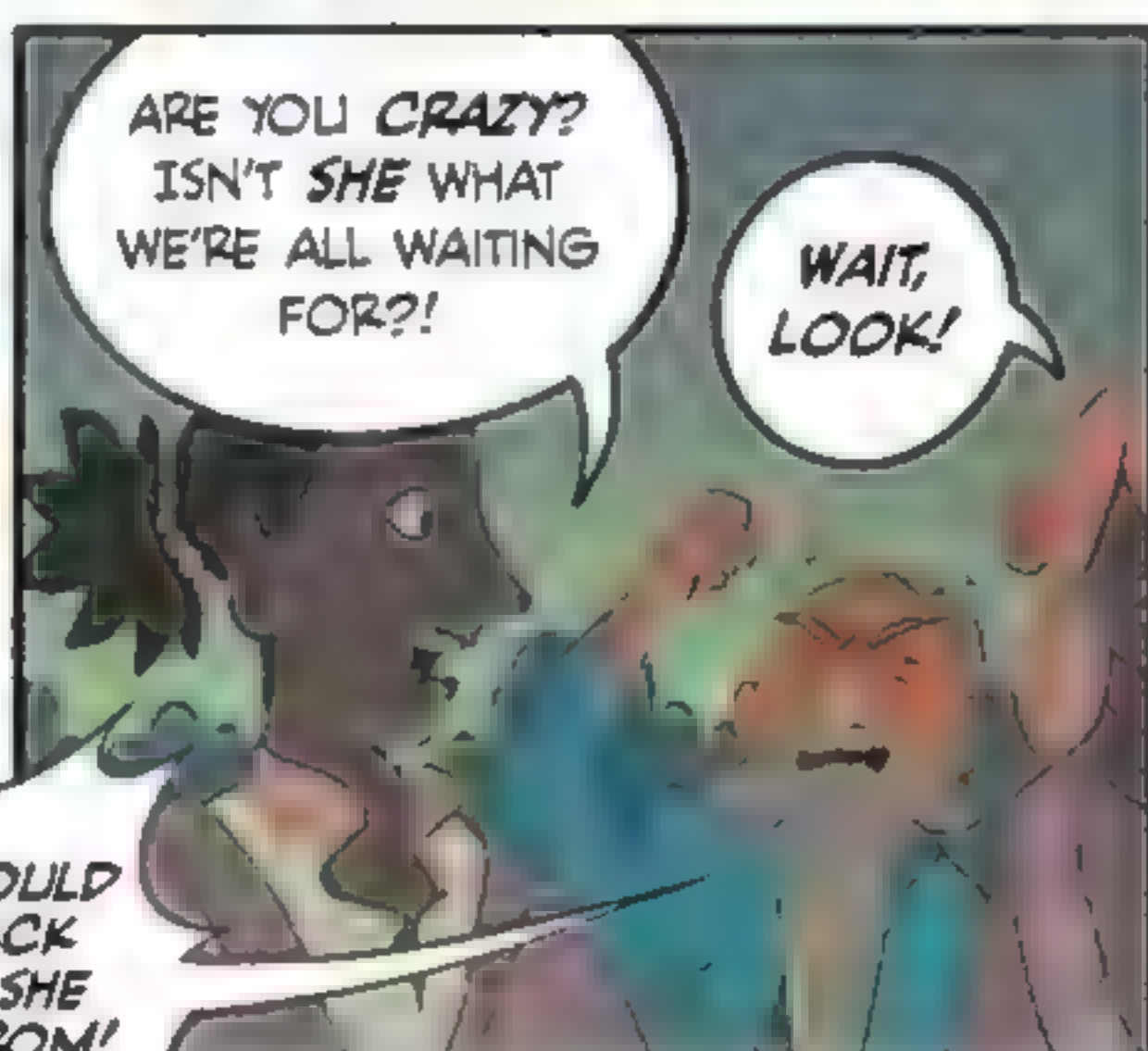
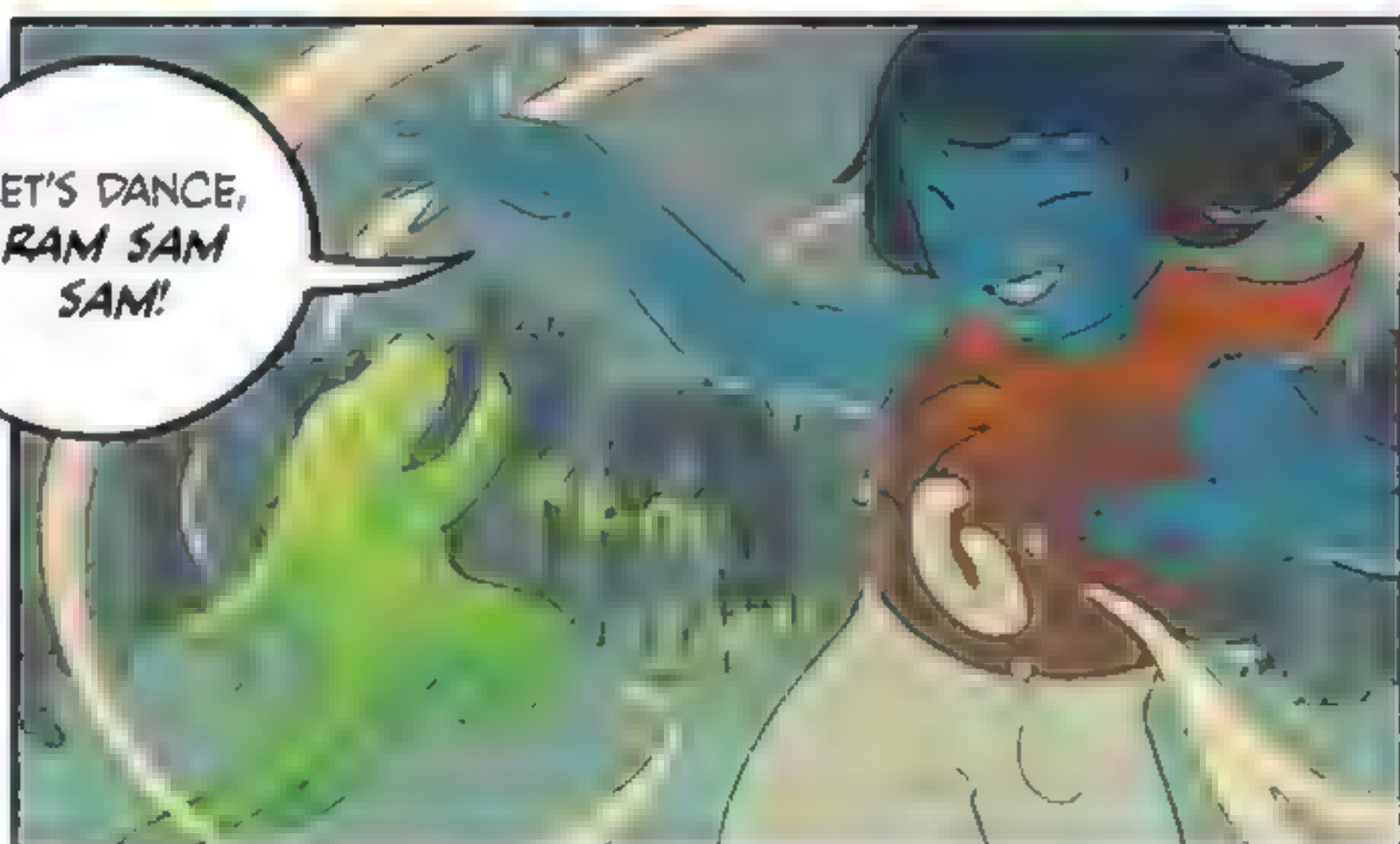
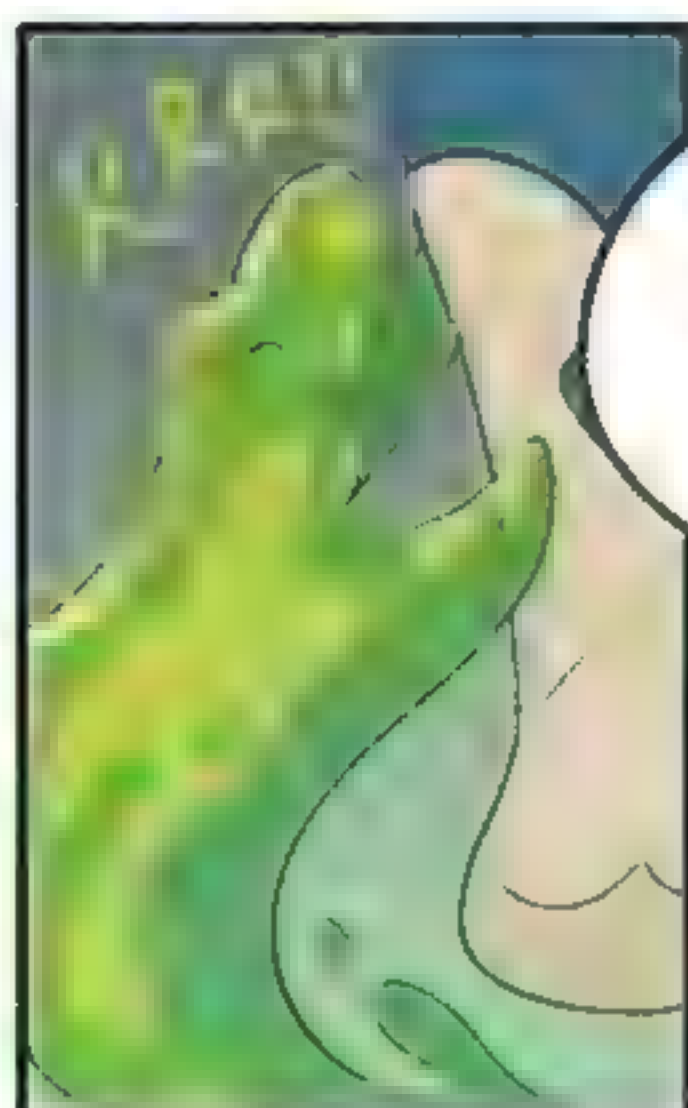
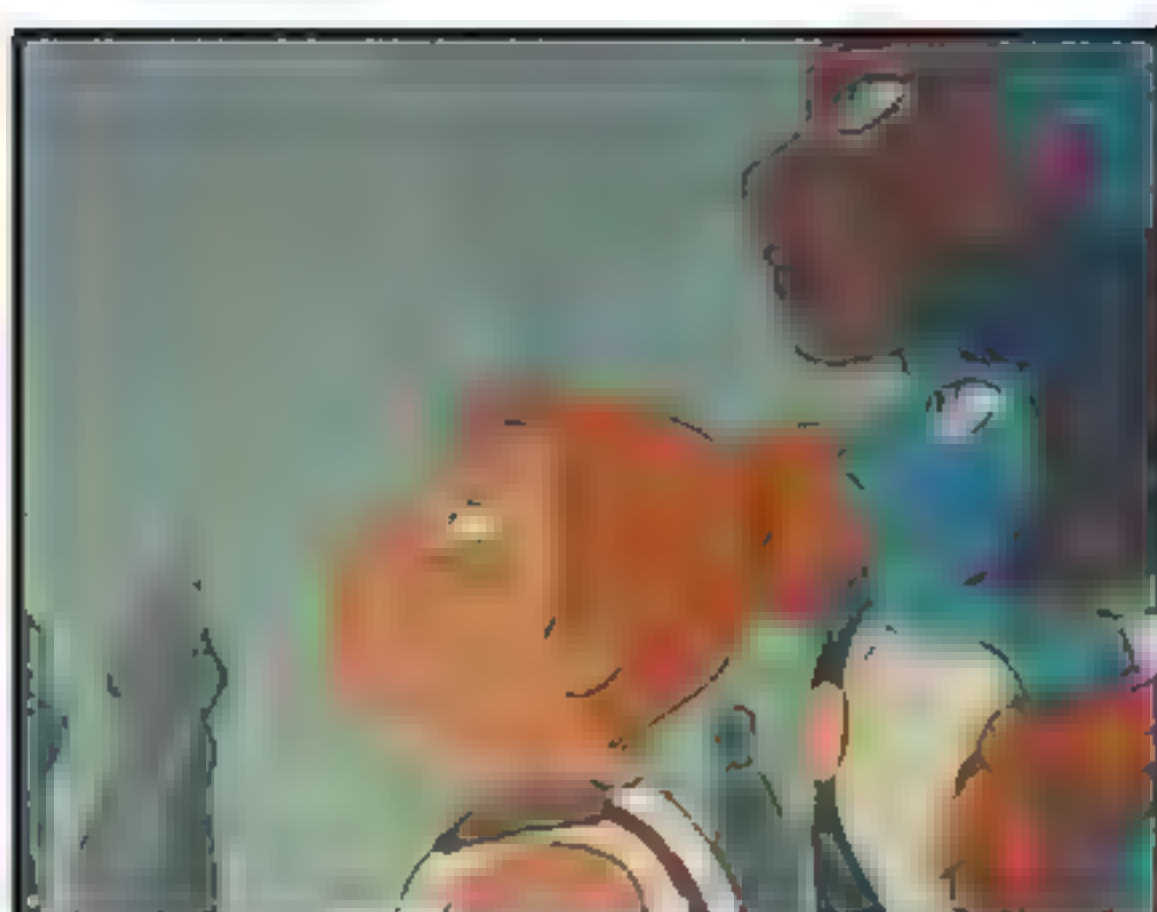


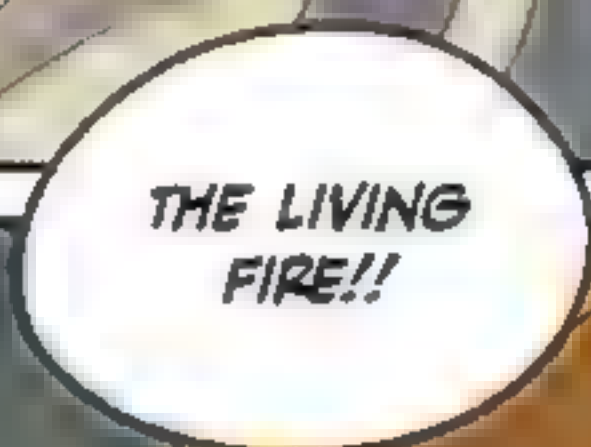


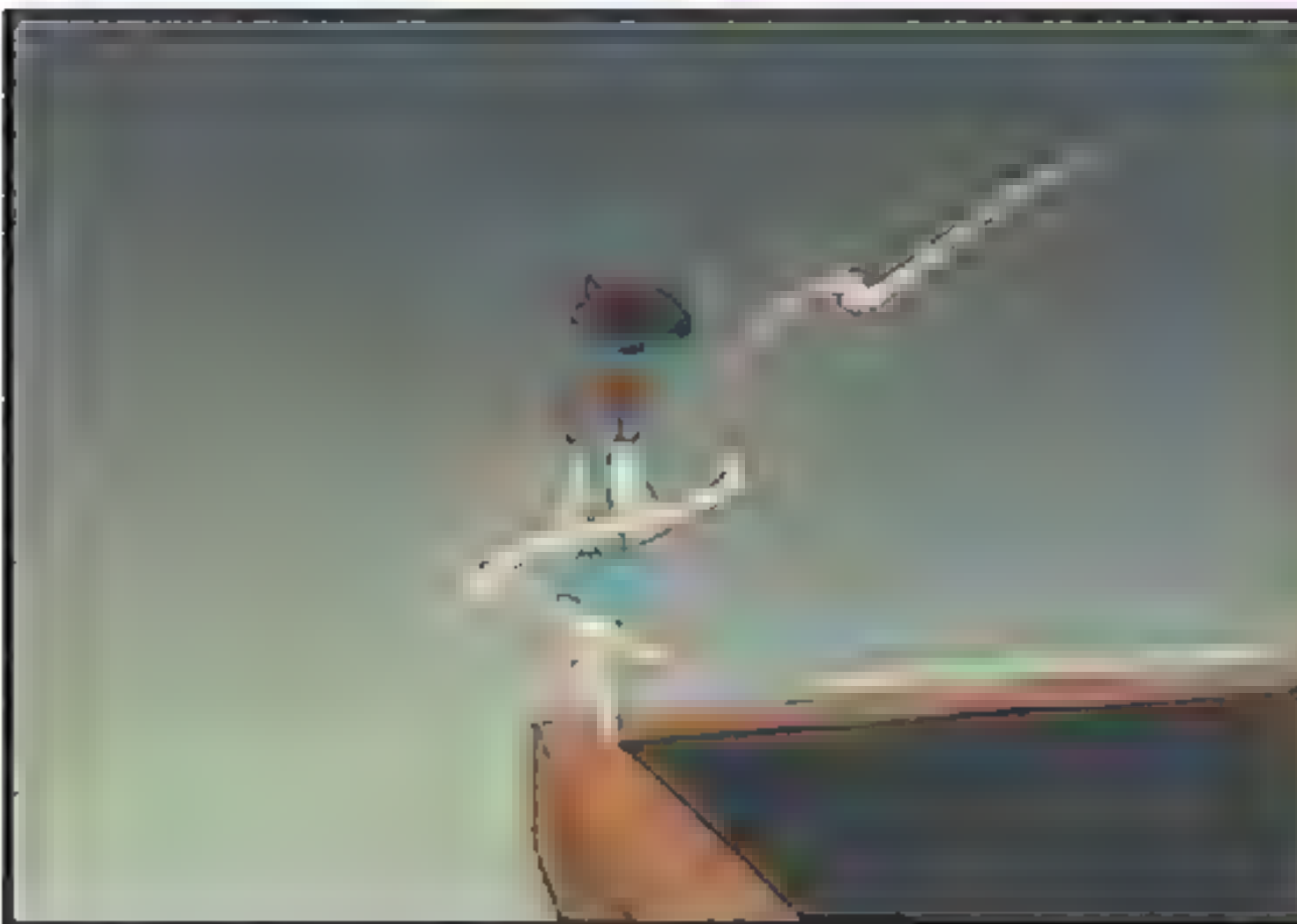
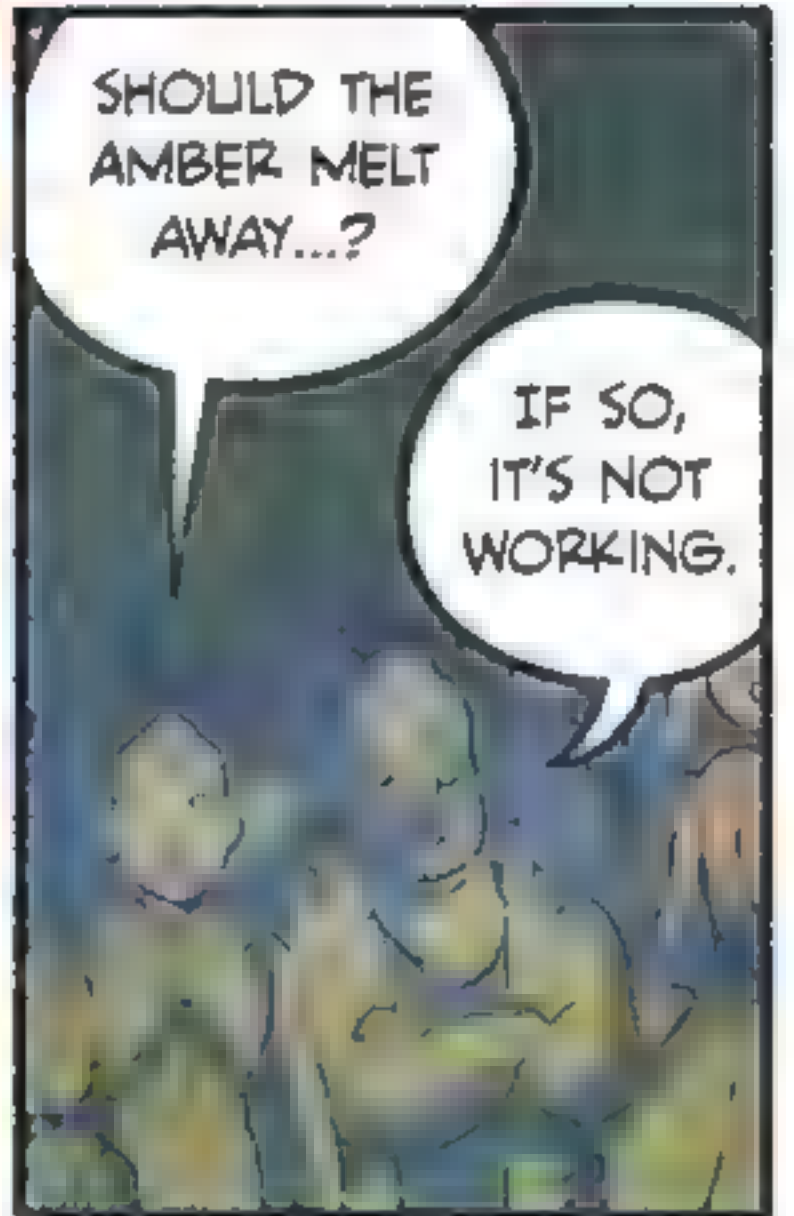
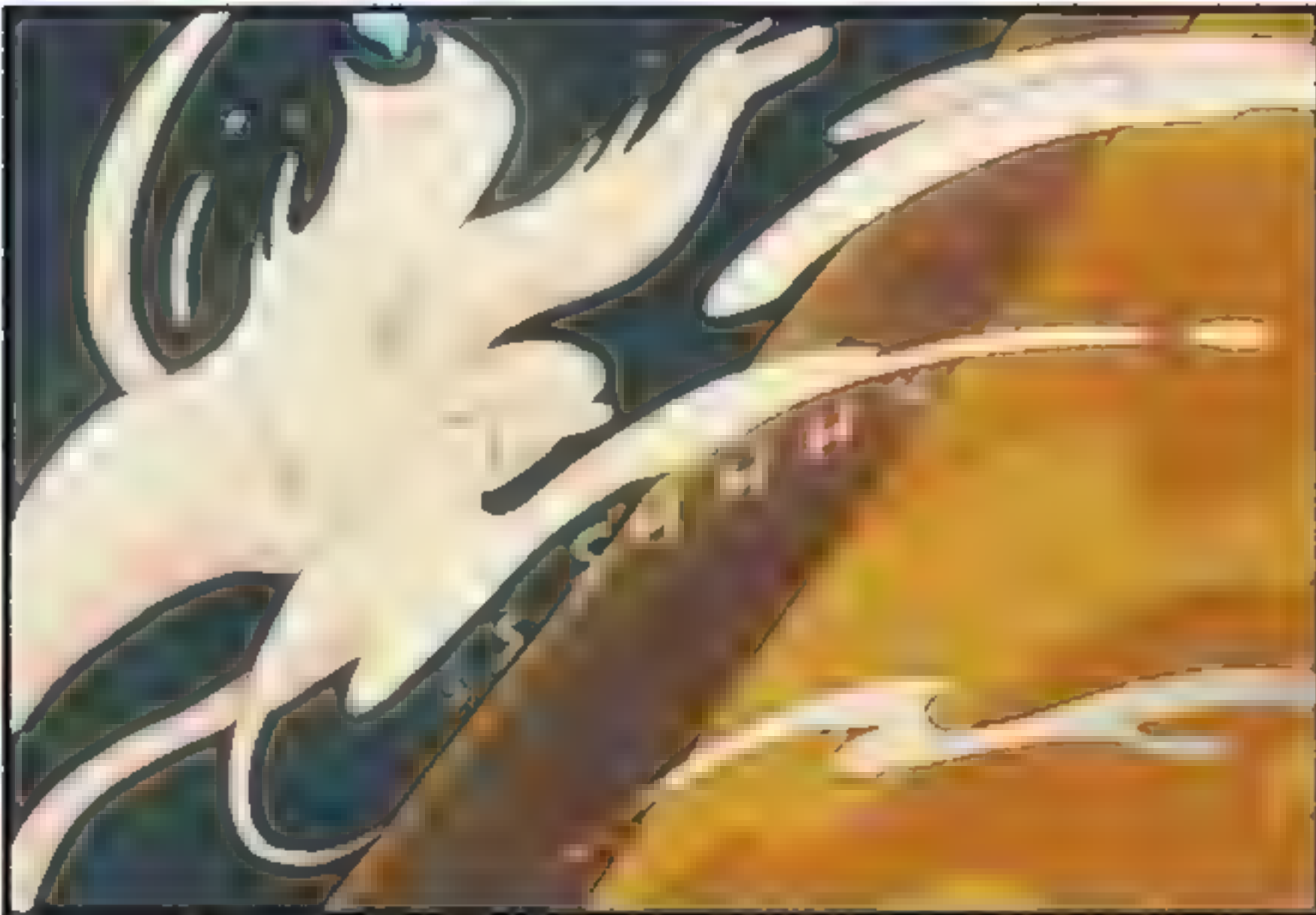
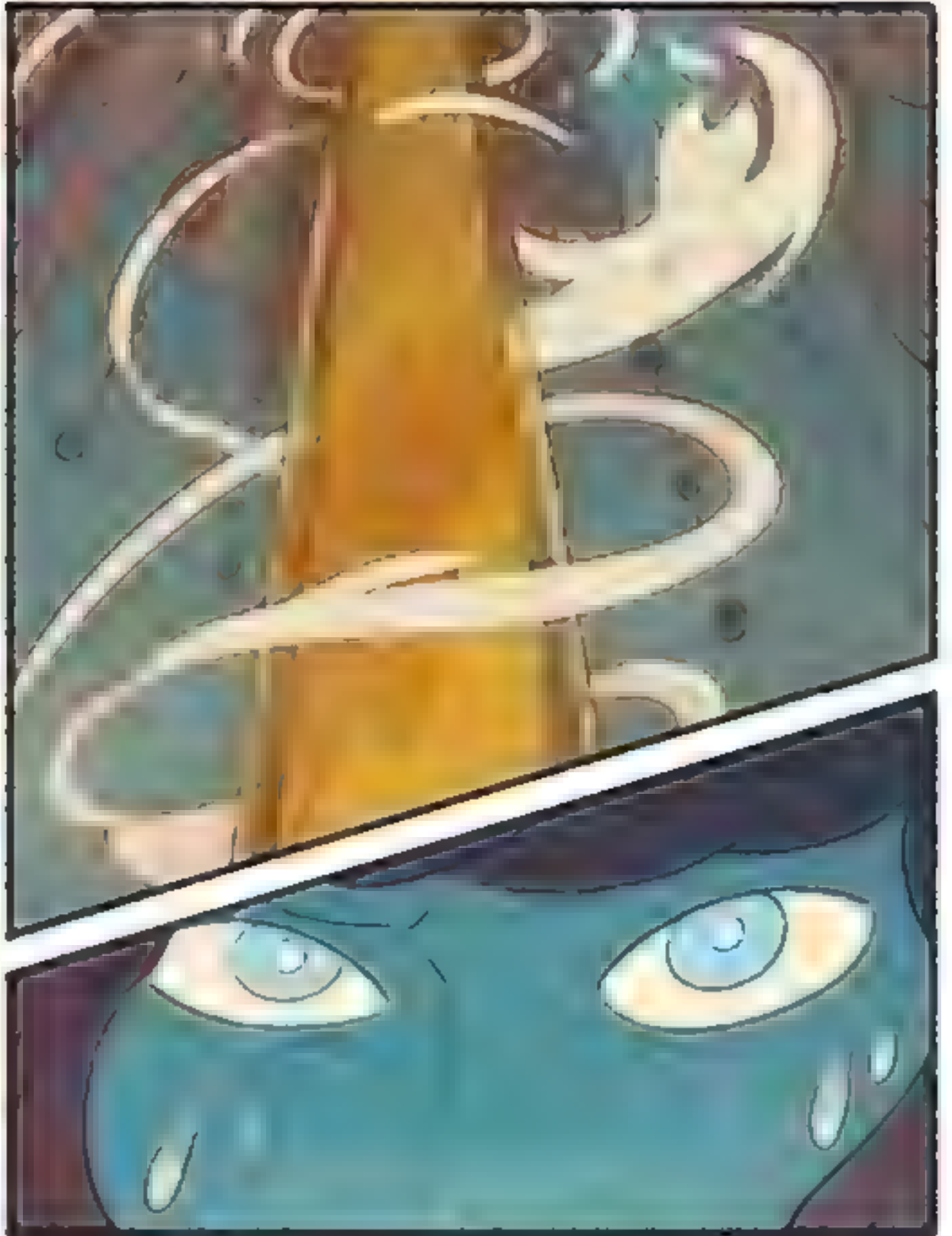


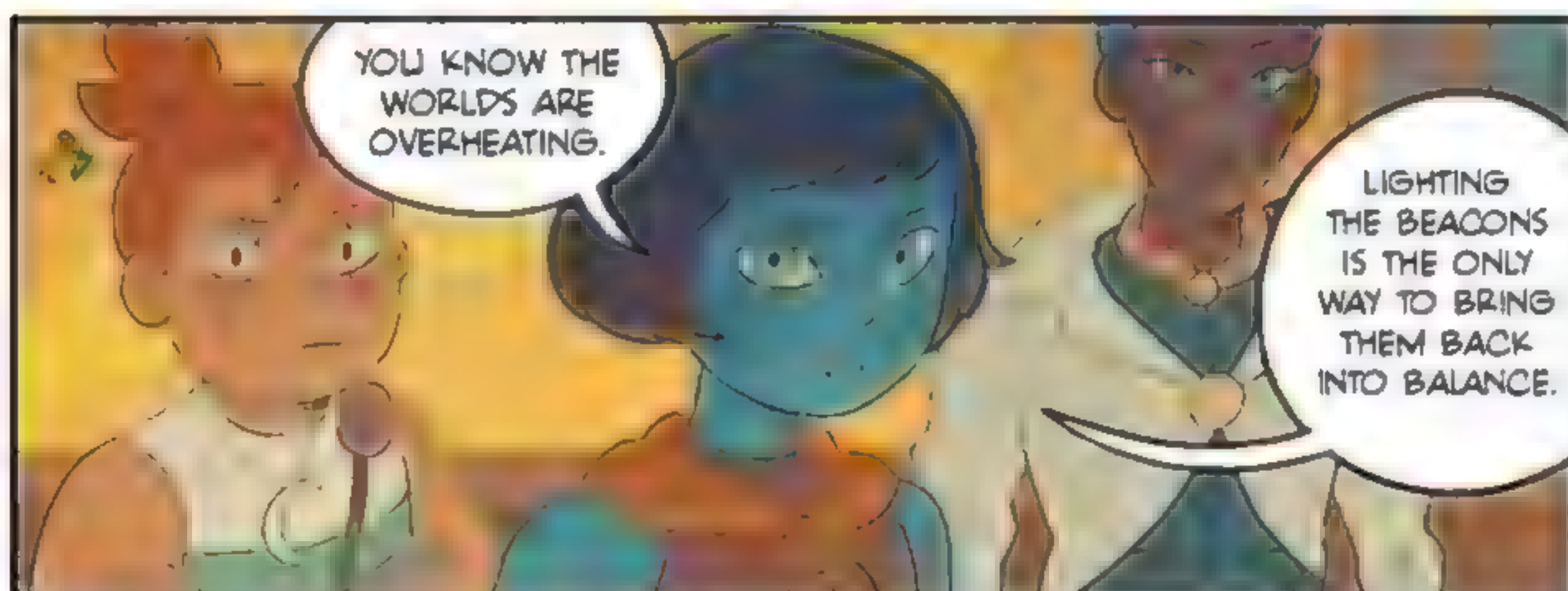
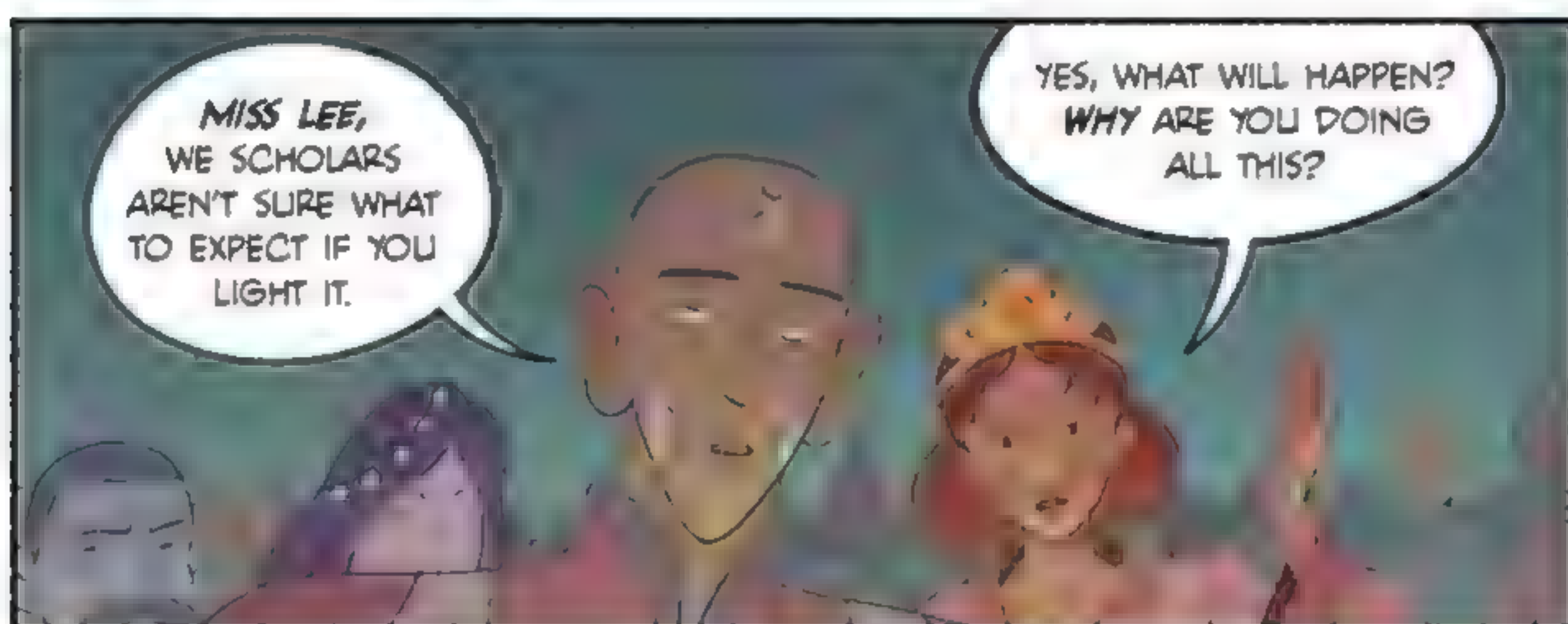


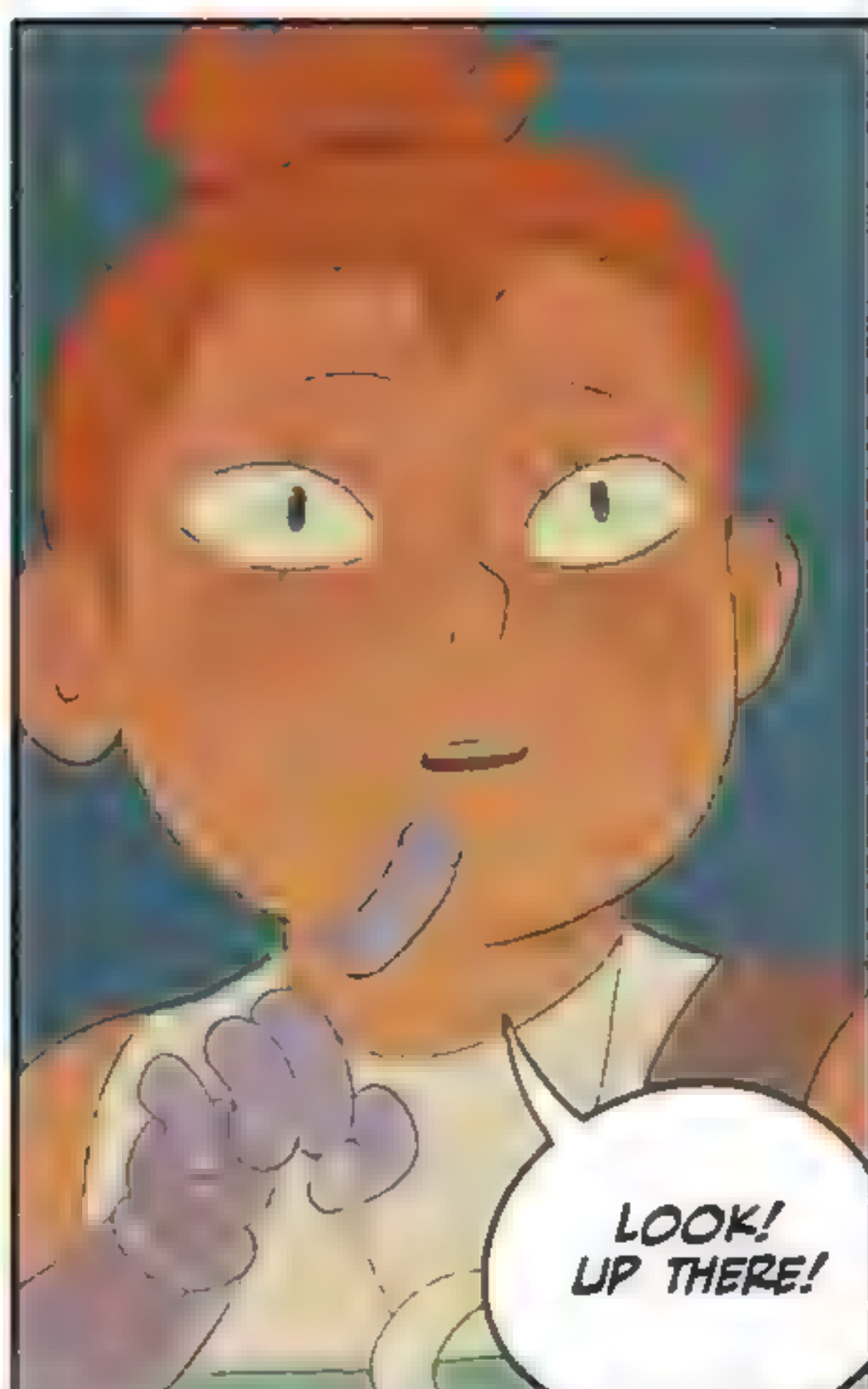
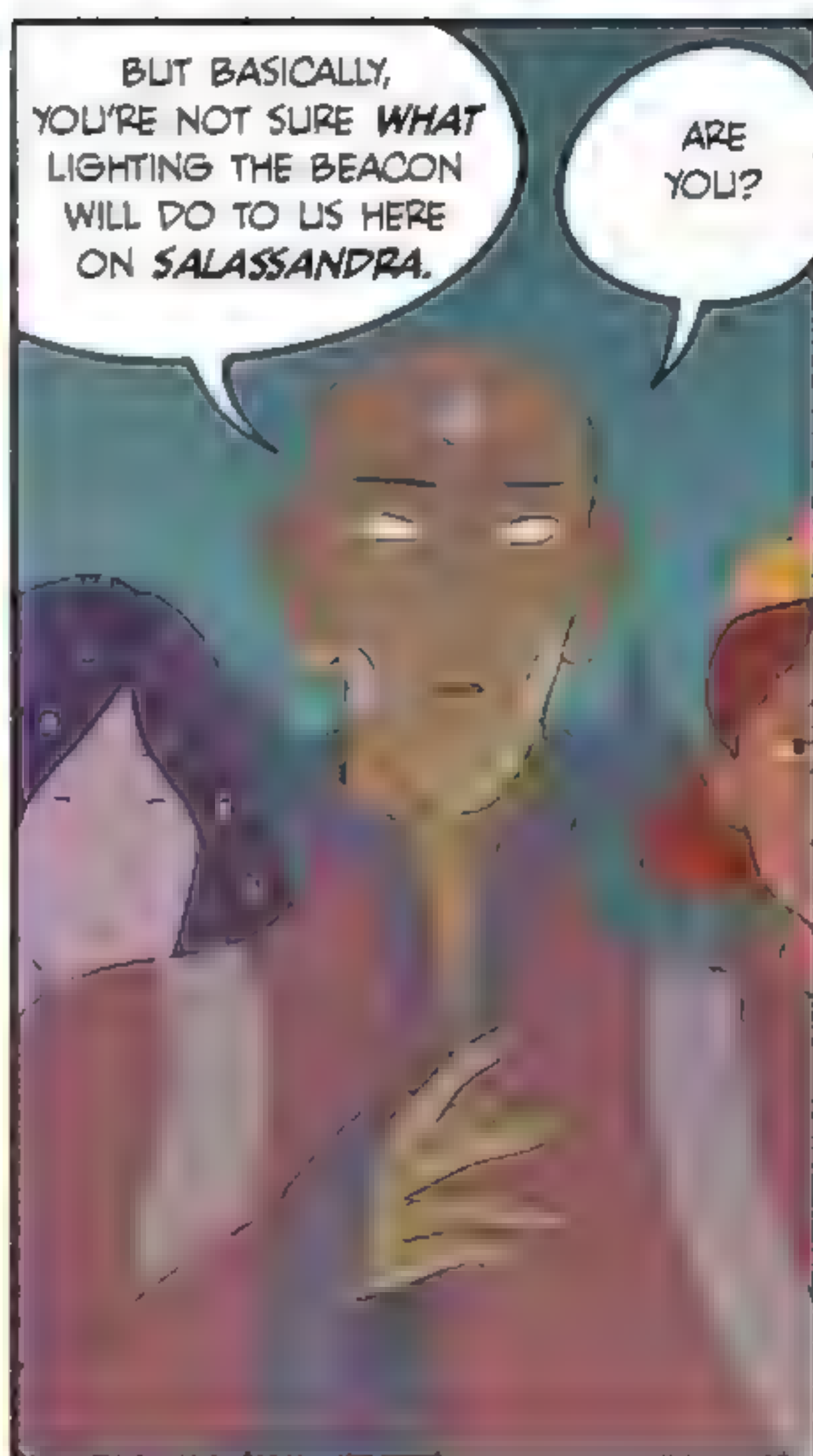


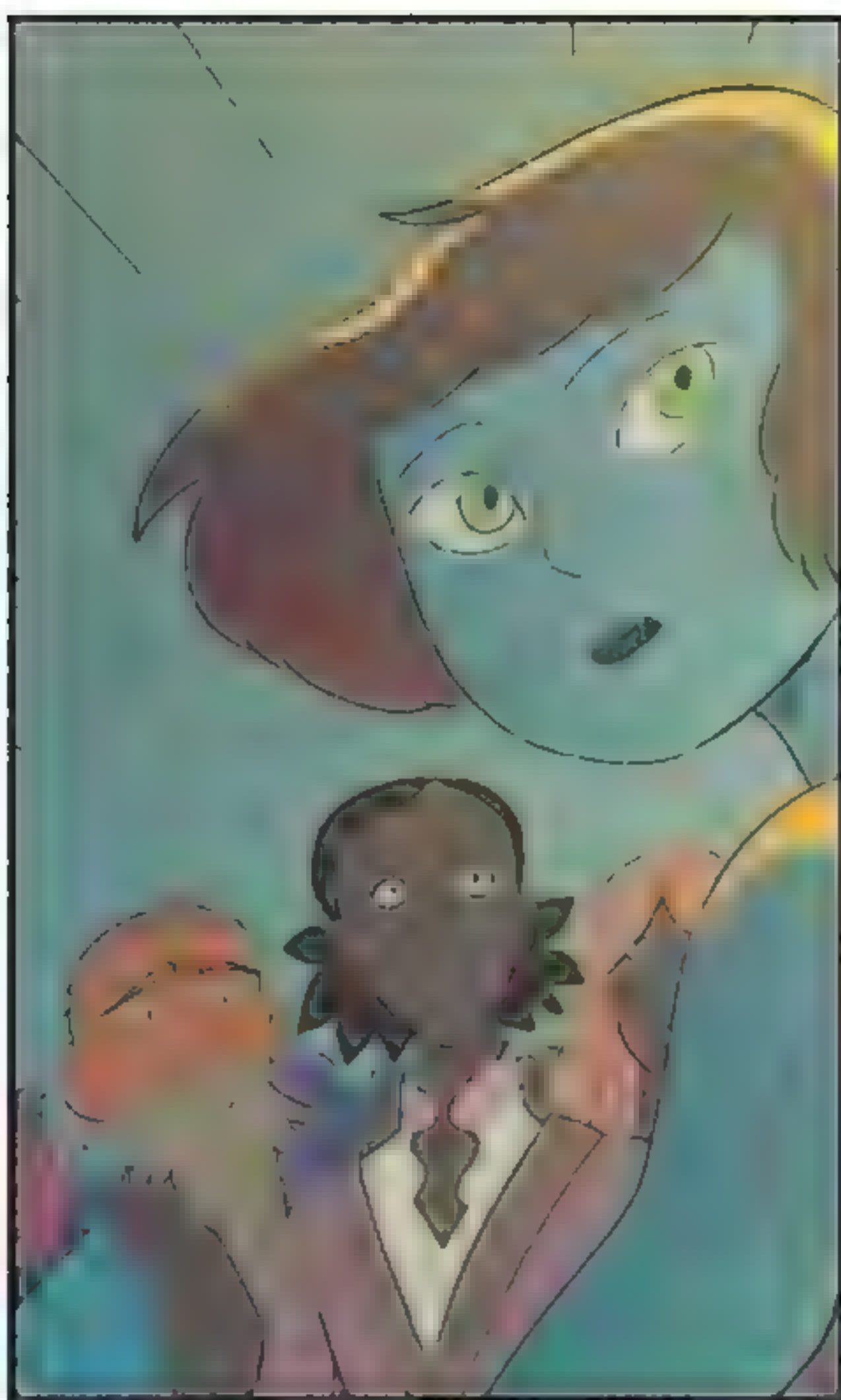


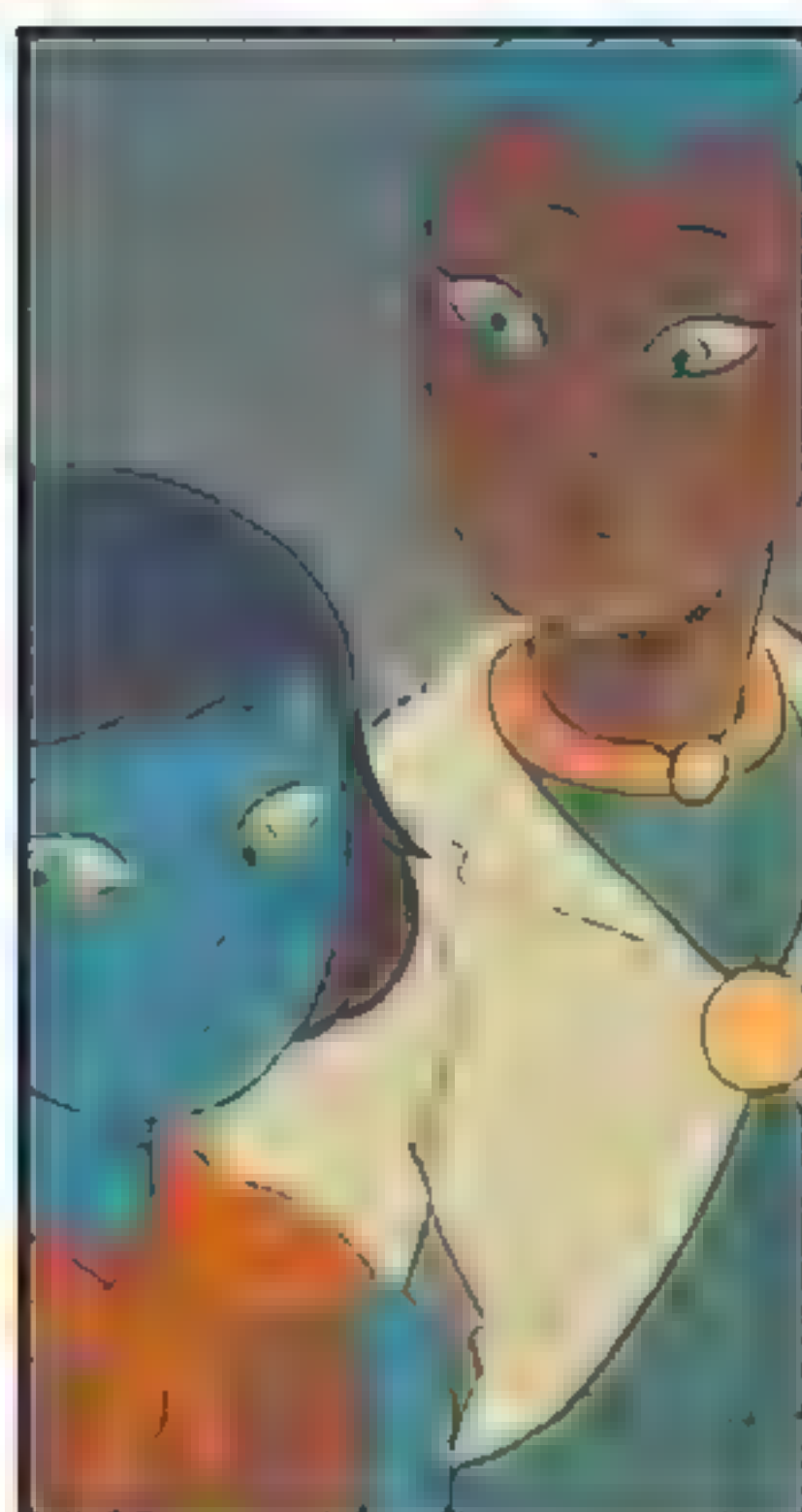
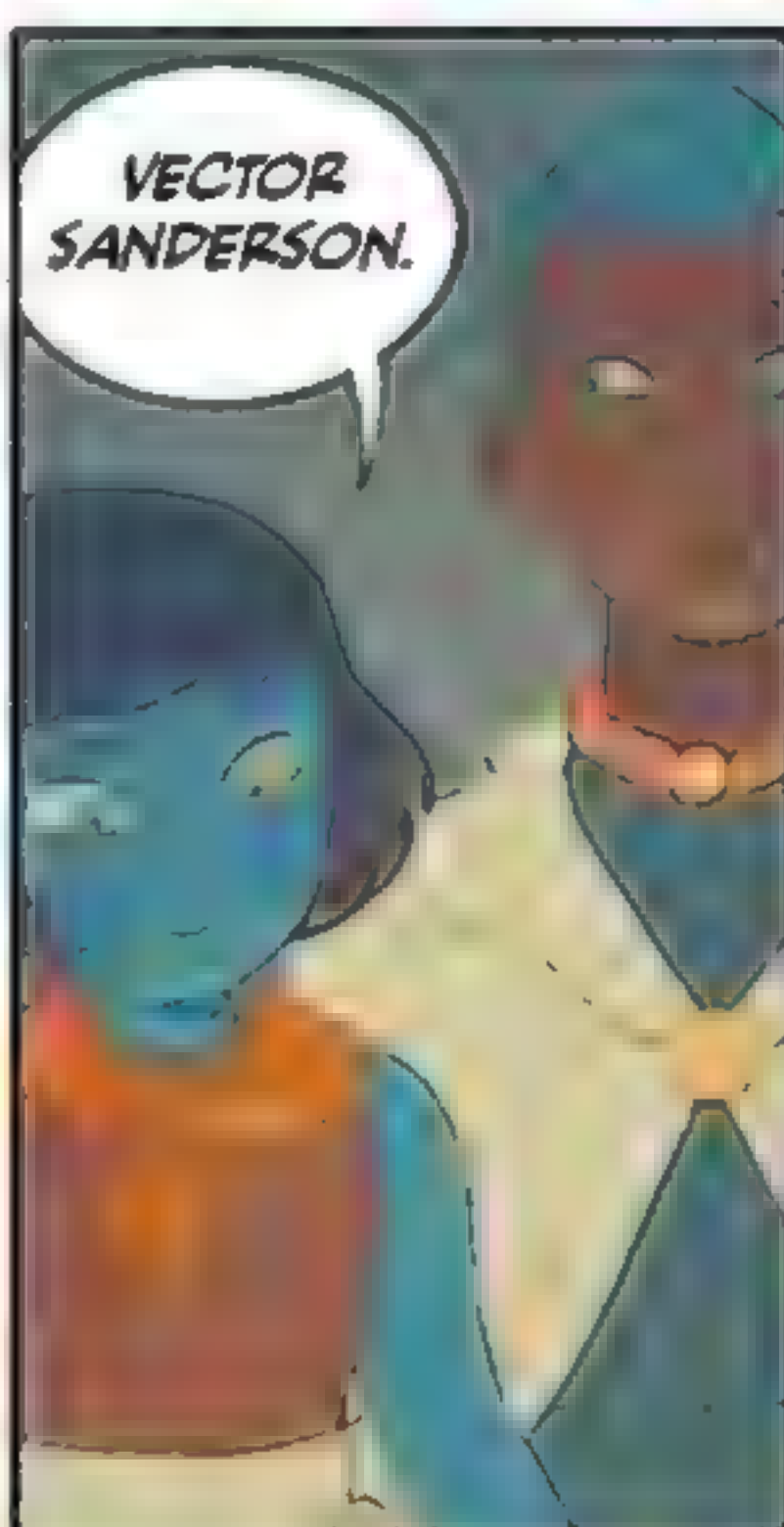


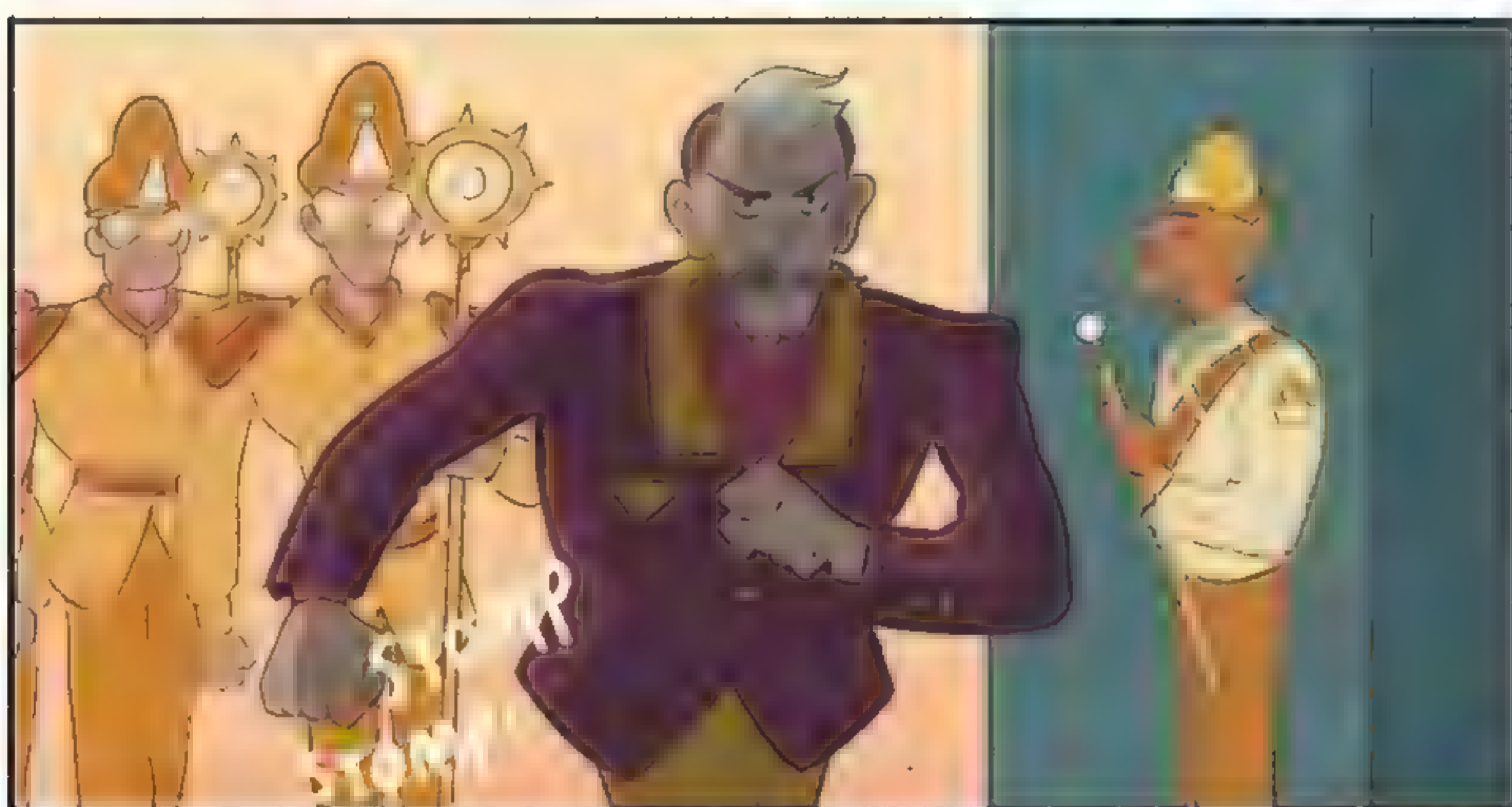
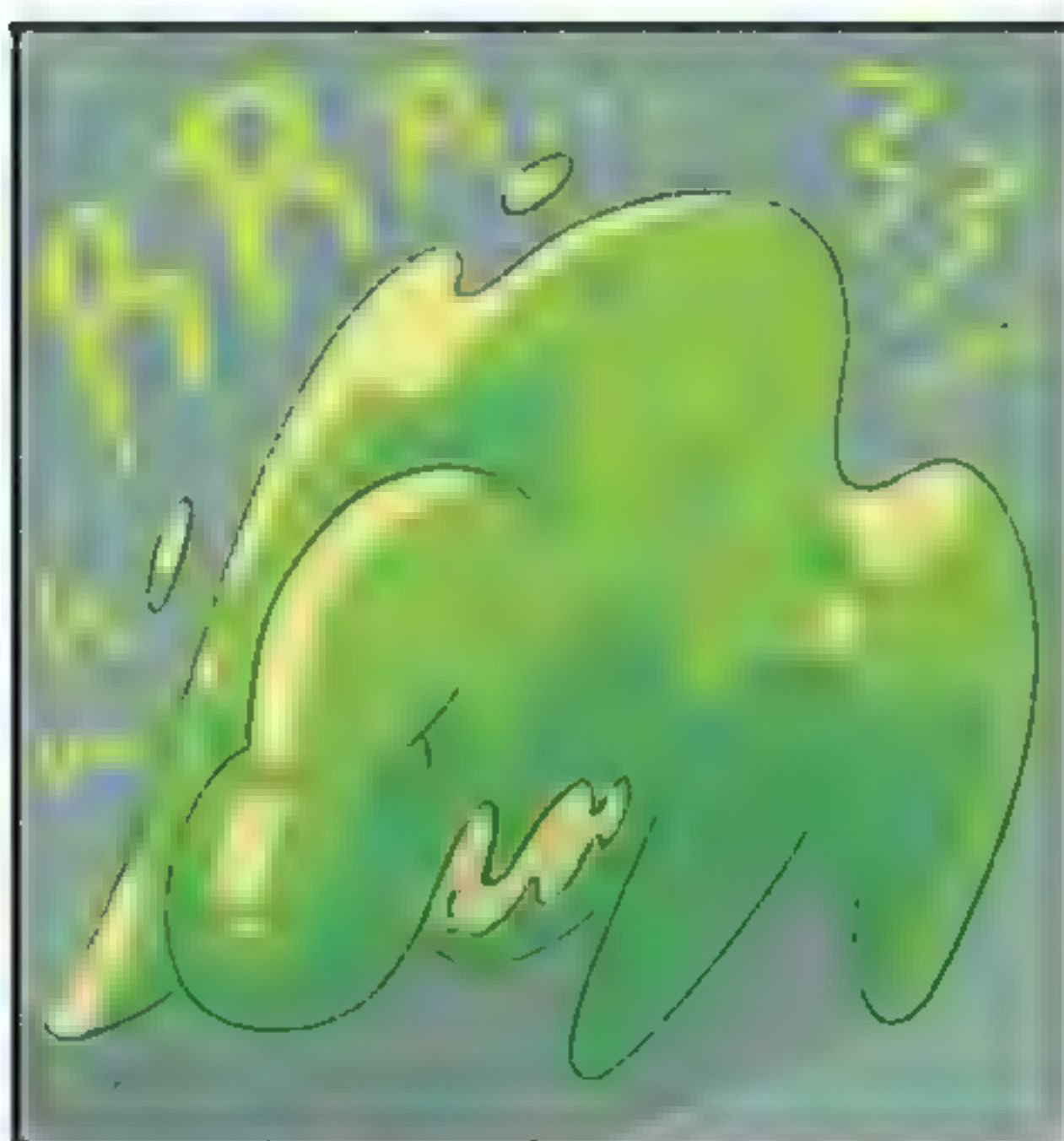




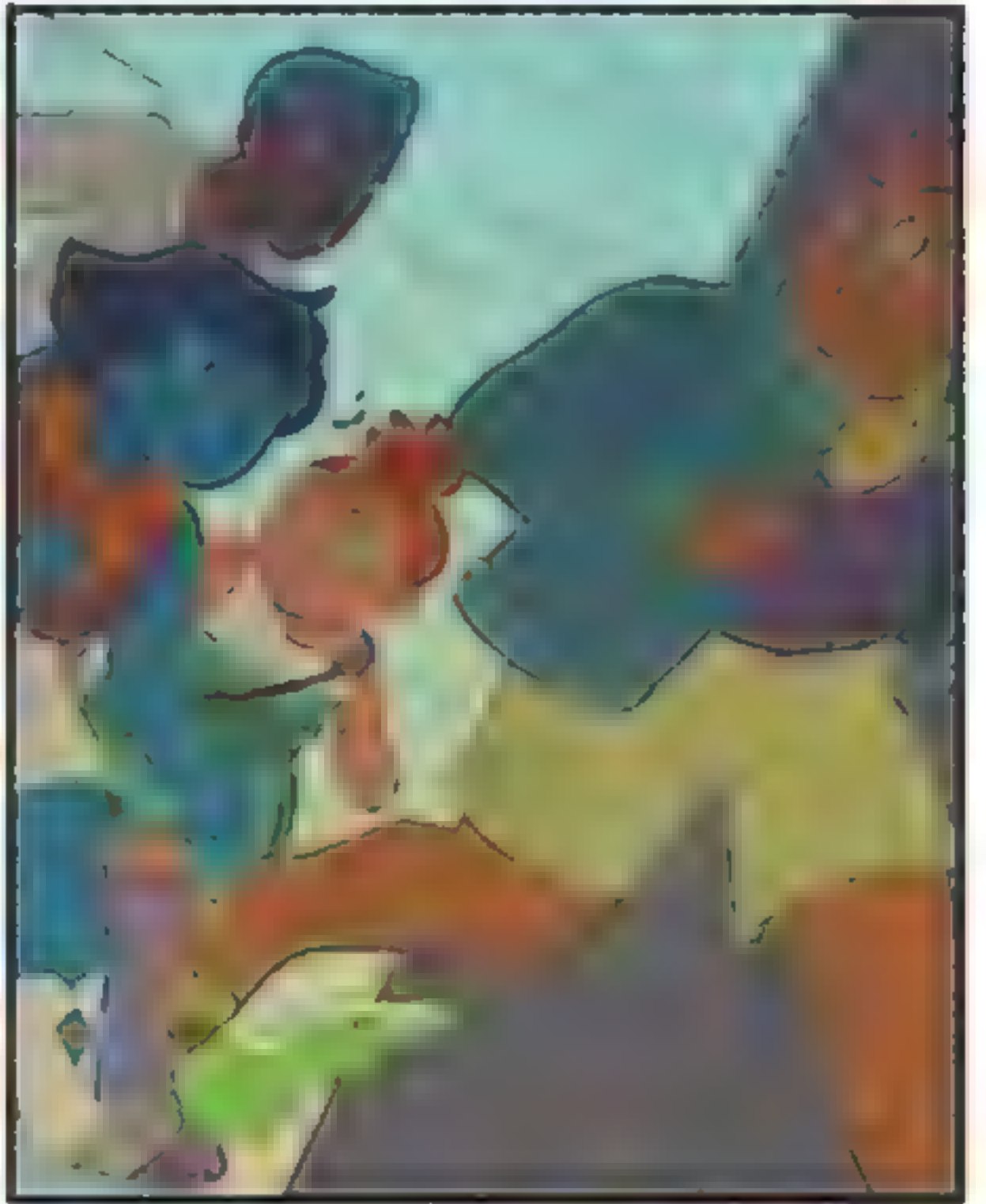
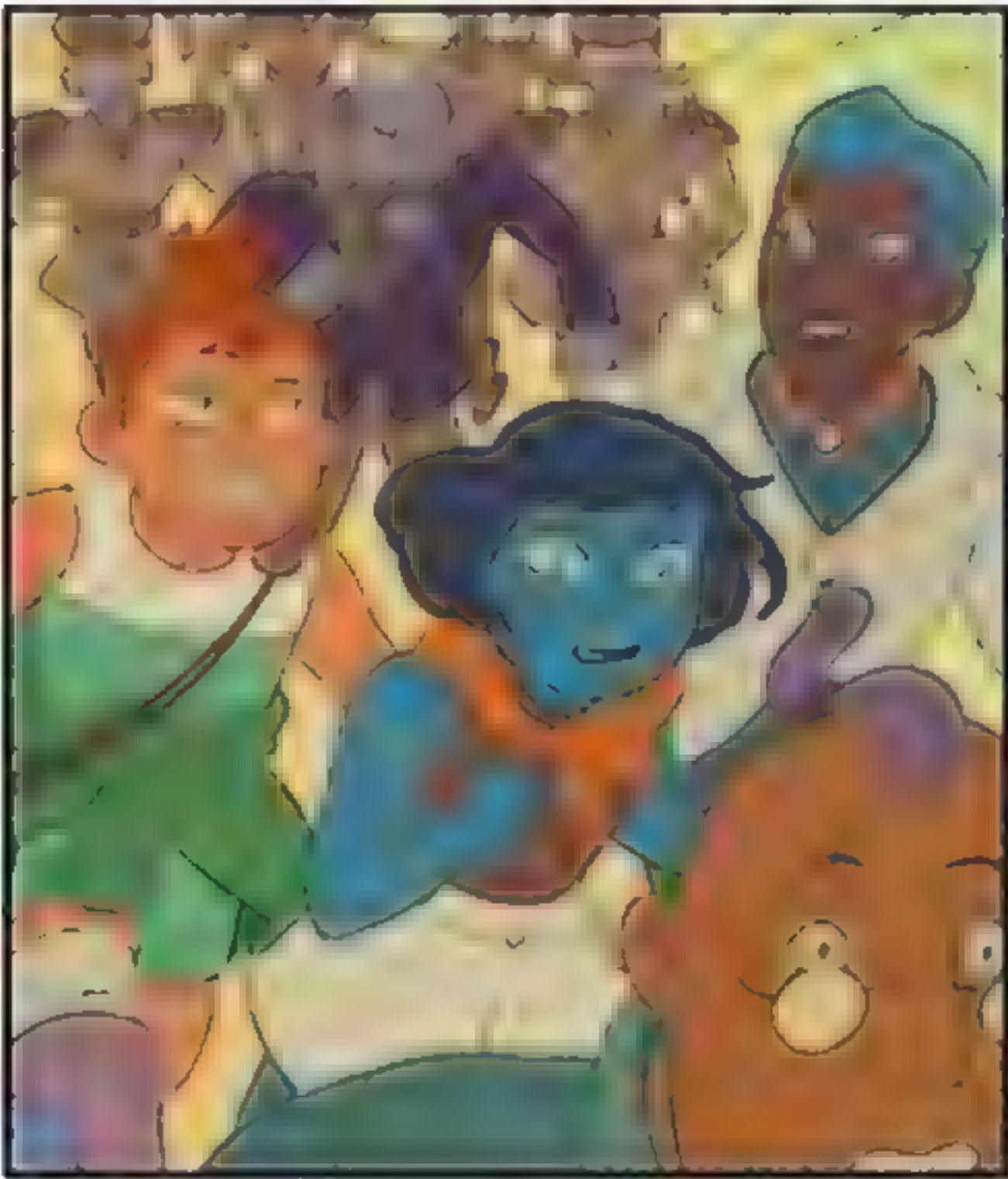


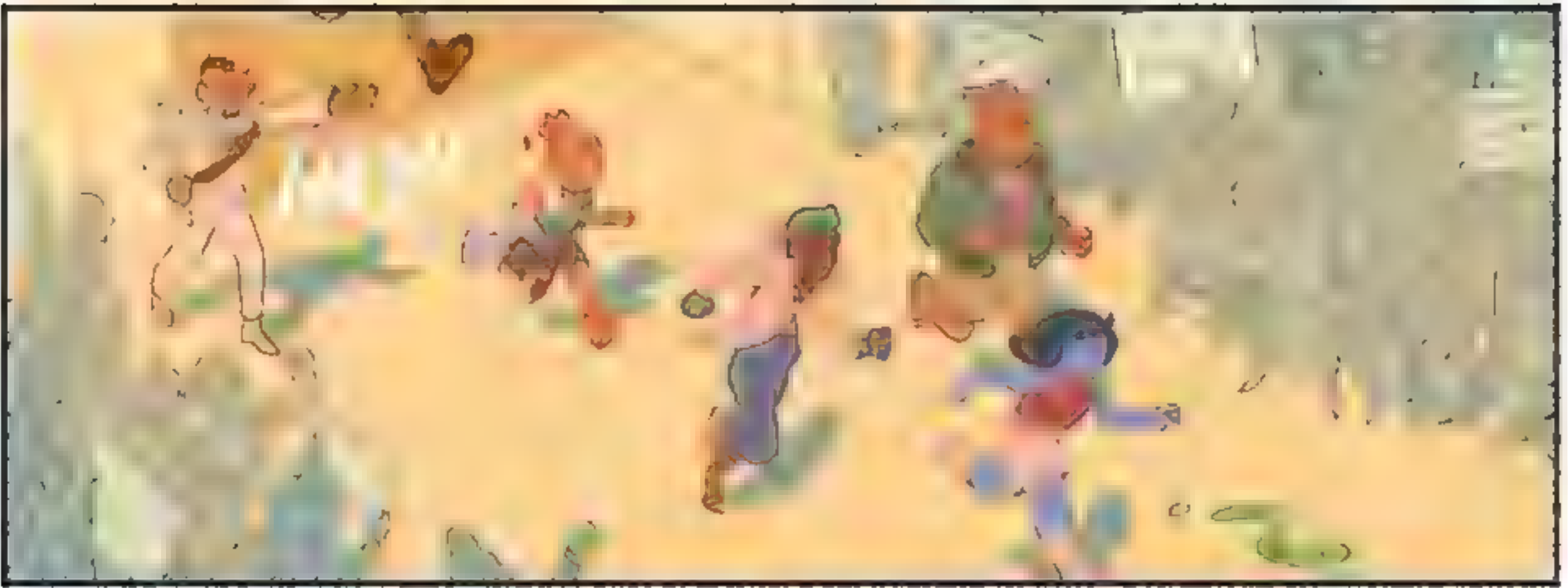


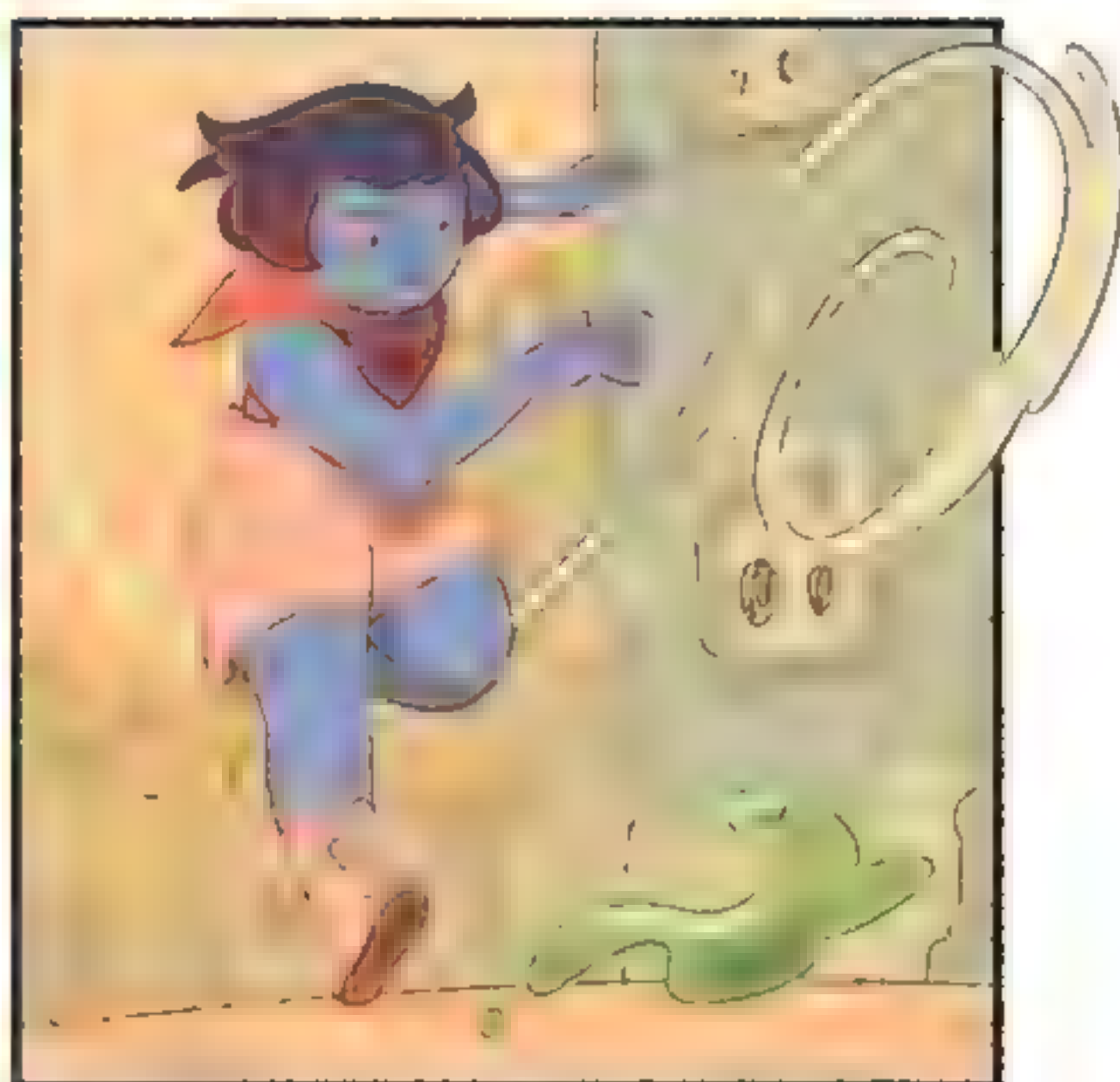
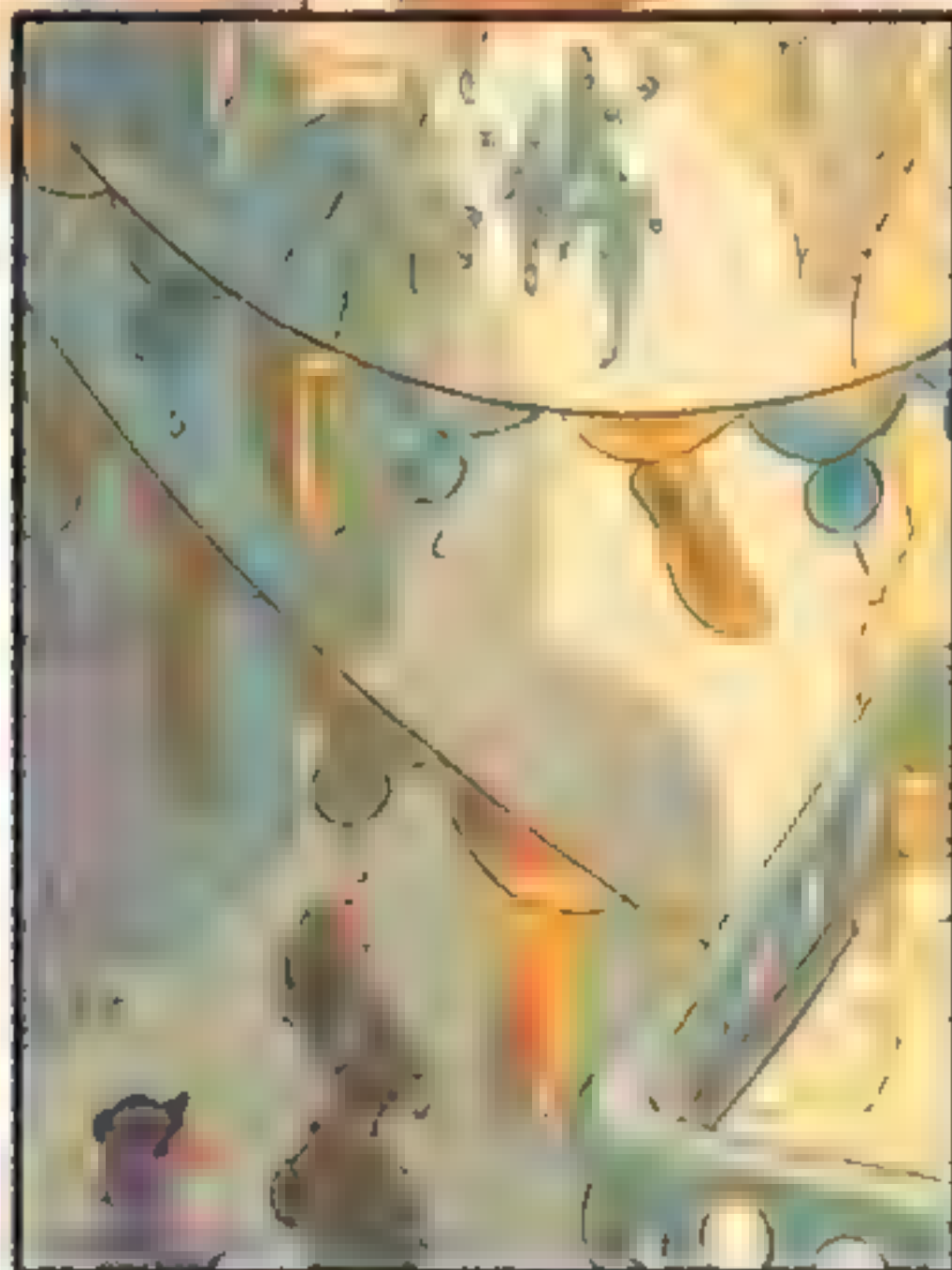




* SEE 5W2: THE COBALT PRINCE









STRANGE. NOT THE SAME AS ON YATTA...



ARREST THIS MAN!

Chapter 2

LIVE FROM SALASSANDRA!

WE CONTINUE
OUR BREAKING
NEWS EXPOSE...

ARREST
THIS MAN!

THE
FIVE WORLD
BEACONS:
ANCIENT MYTH?
OR...

MODERN
HOAX?



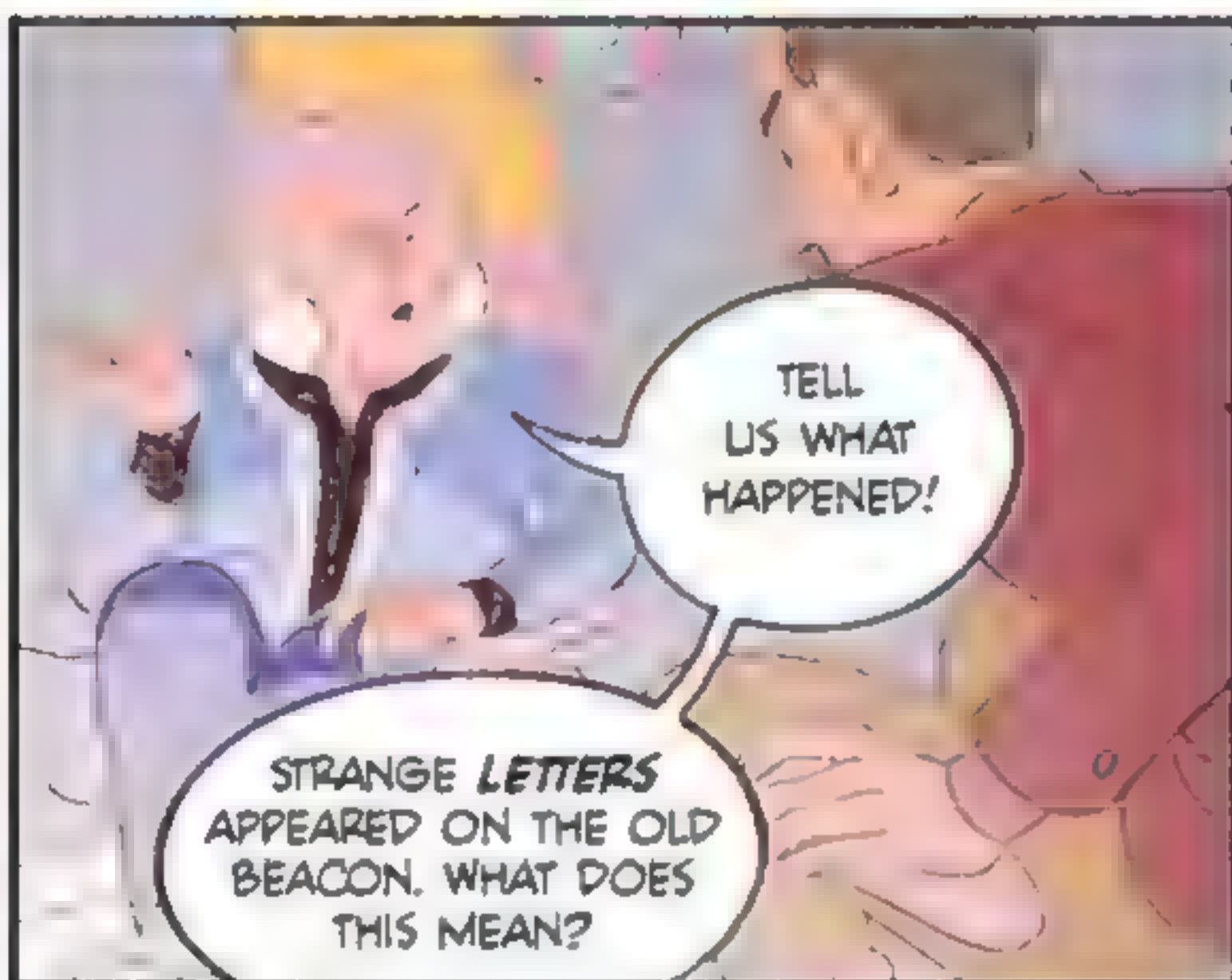
DEAR
CITIZEN
FEEDERS!

JOIN ME
LIVE FROM
AMBRINE FOR
THE **HEROIC** ARREST
OF A MEMBER OF
THE **TERRORIST** CELL
KNOWN AS THE
ORDER OF THE
QUEEN'S ARM!



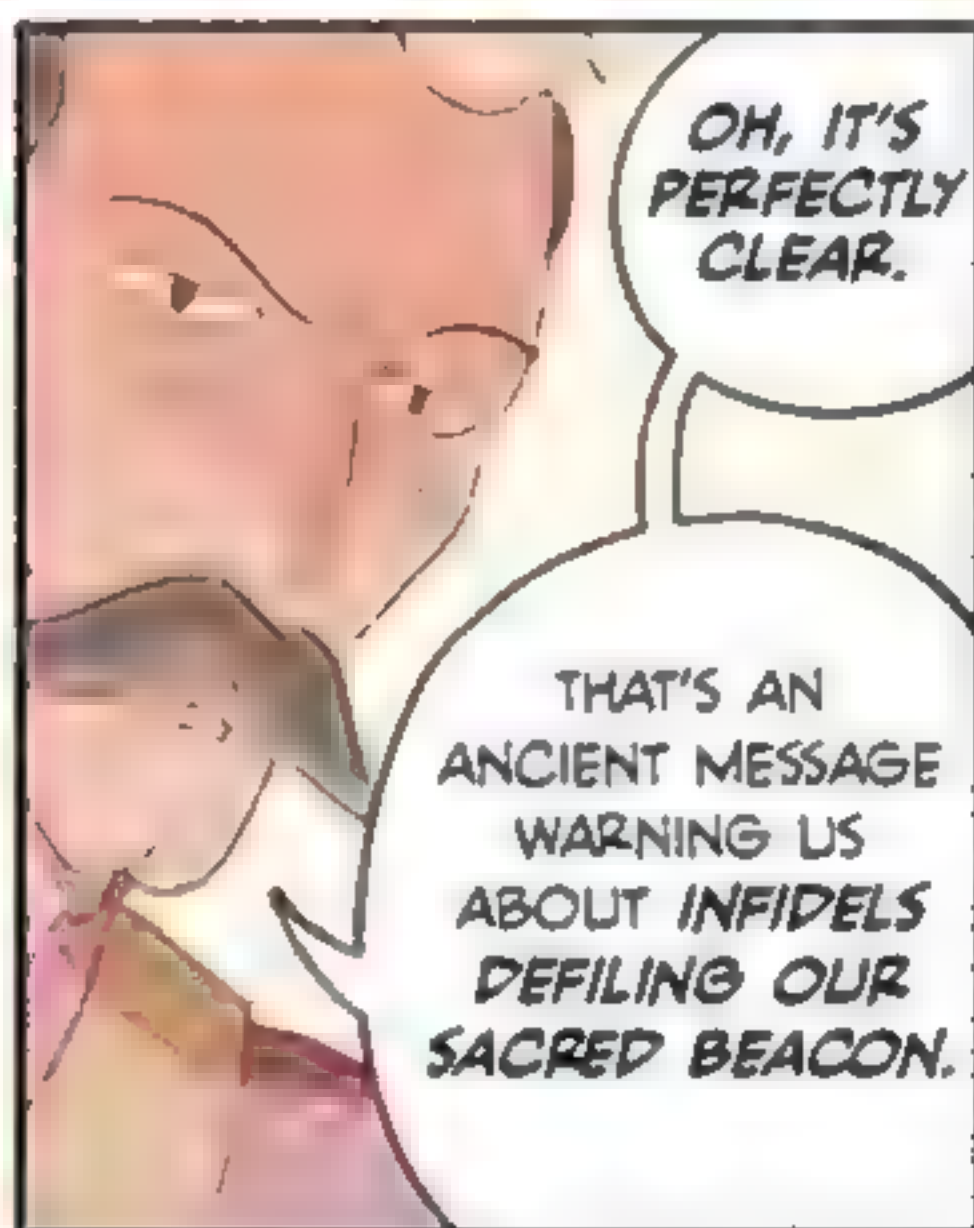
THANK YOU SO MUCH
FOR TAKING THE TIME
TO BE WITH US TODAY,
LORD URMUTH.

GOOD TO
BE HERE,
PEET.



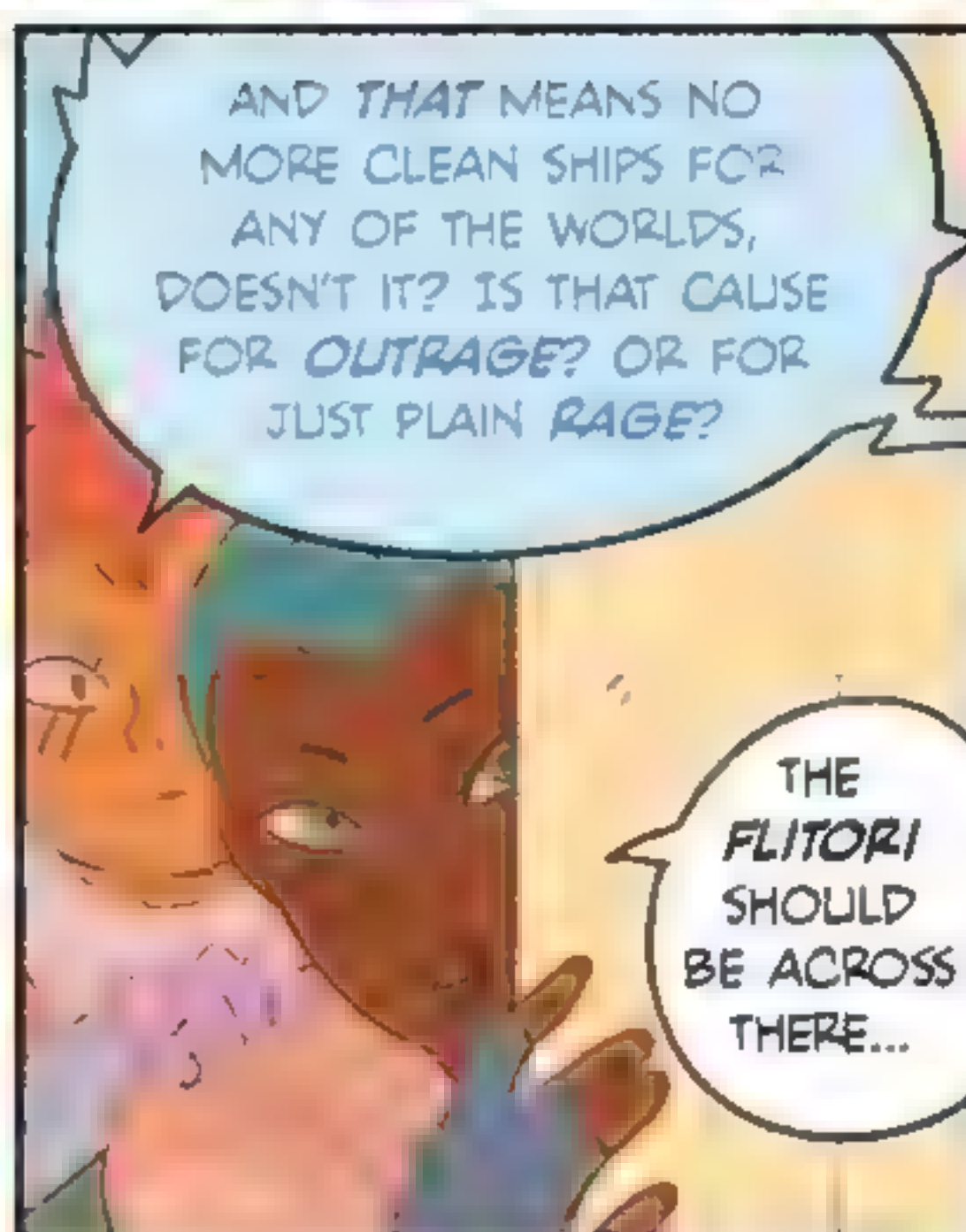
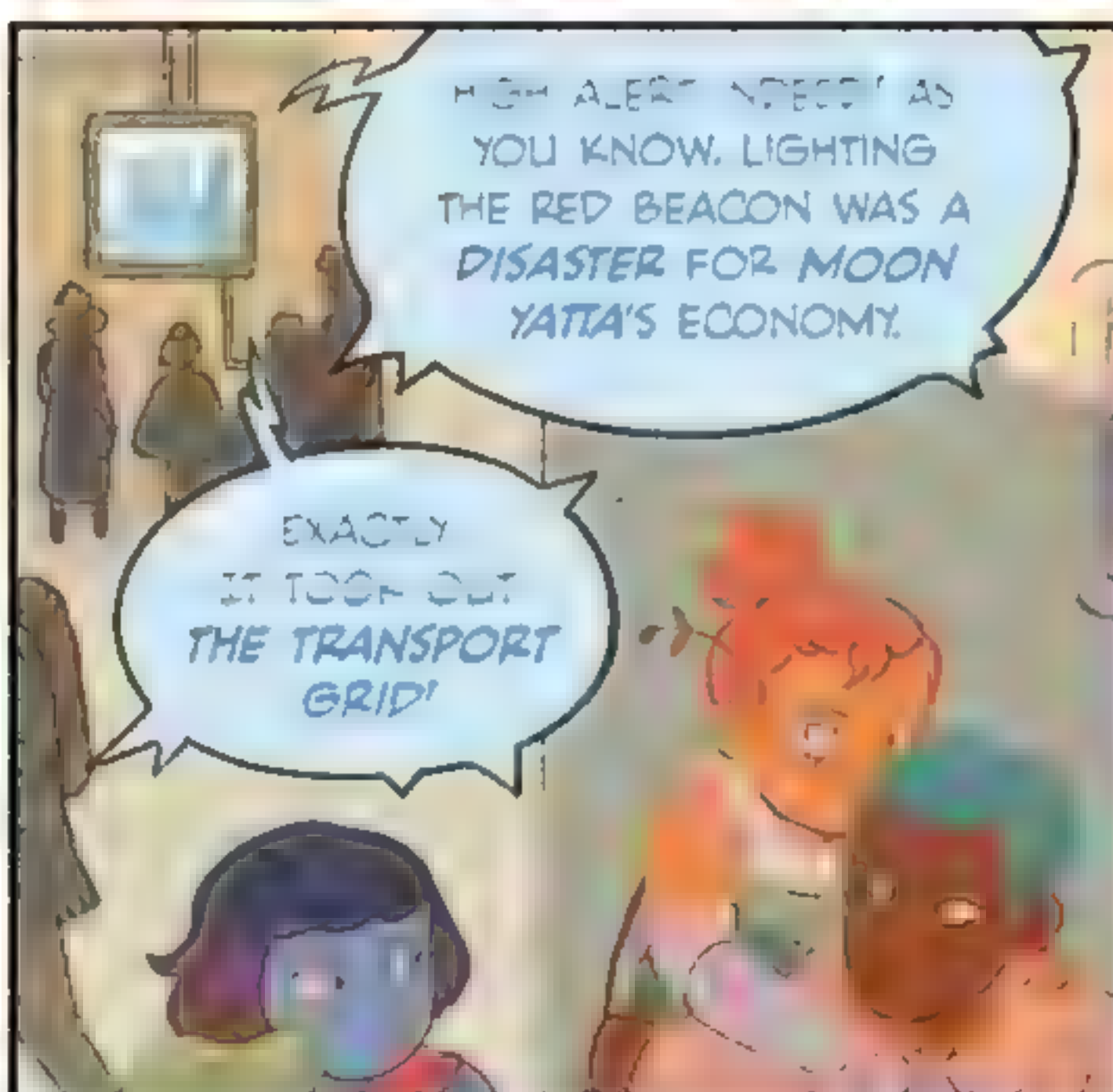
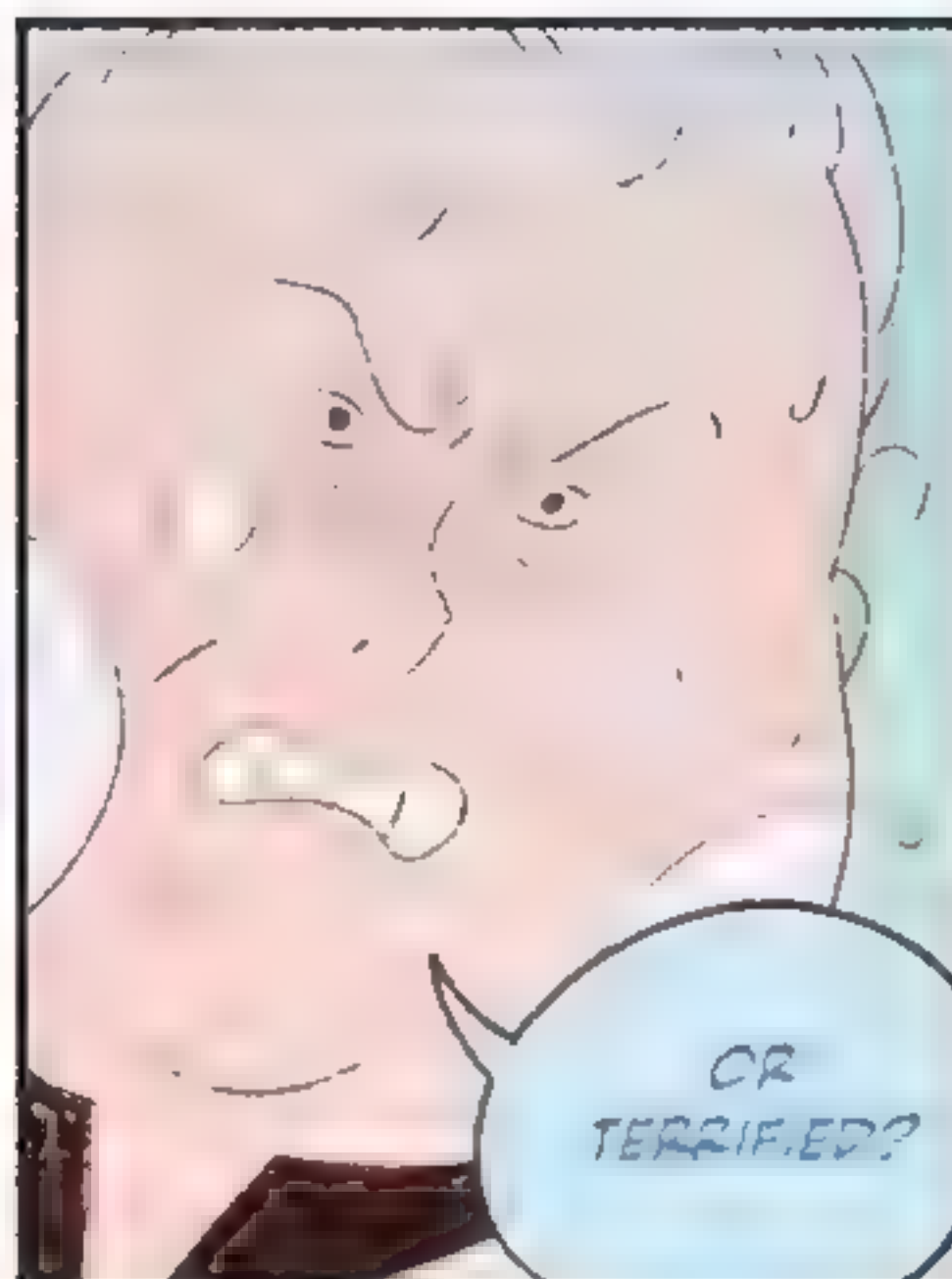
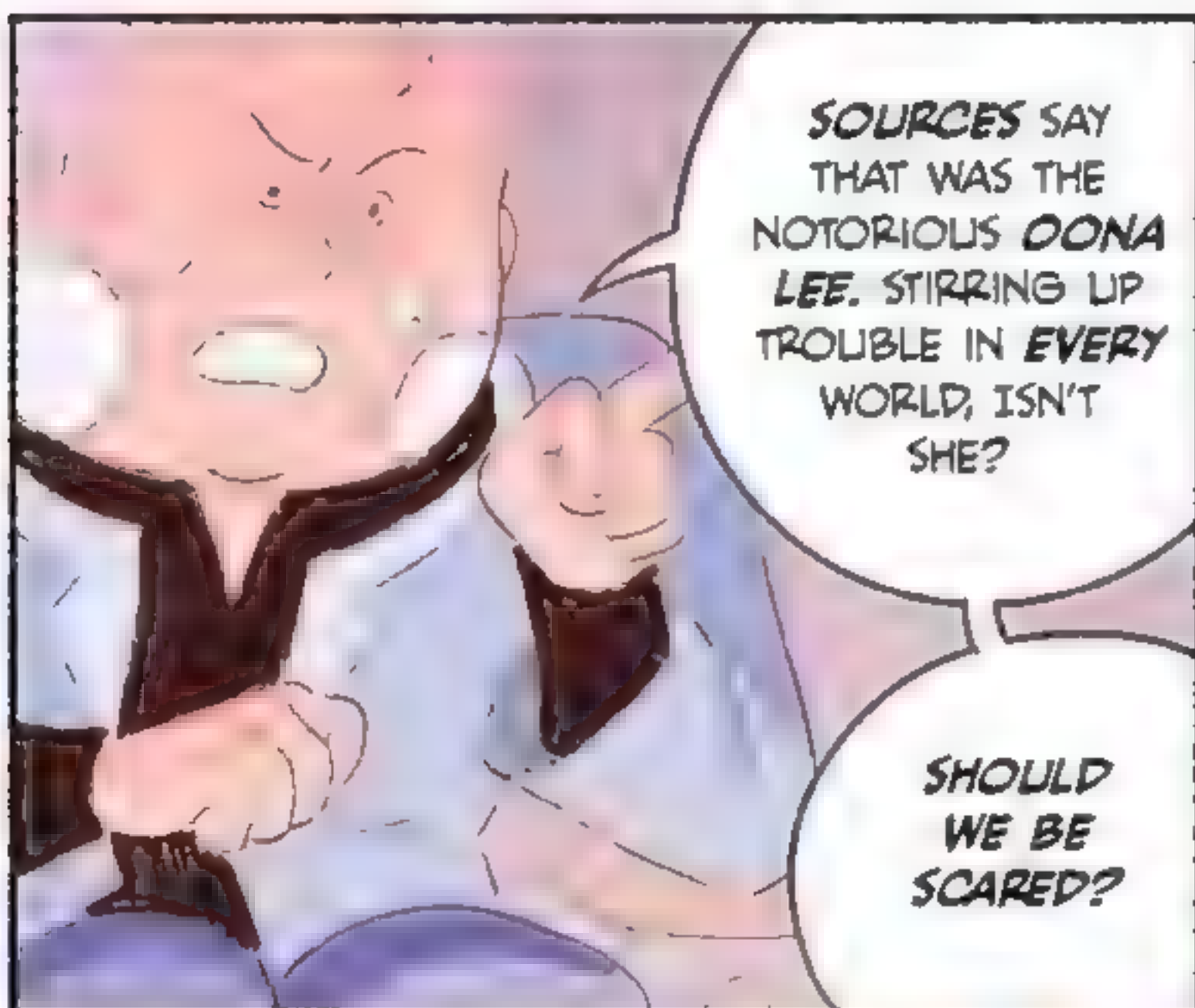
TELL
US WHAT
HAPPENED!

STRANGE **LETTERS**
APPEARED ON THE OLD
BEACON. WHAT DOES
THIS MEAN?



OH, IT'S
PERFECTLY
CLEAR.

THAT'S AN
ANCIENT MESSAGE
WARNING US
ABOUT **INFIDELS**
DEFILING OUR
SACRED BEACON.

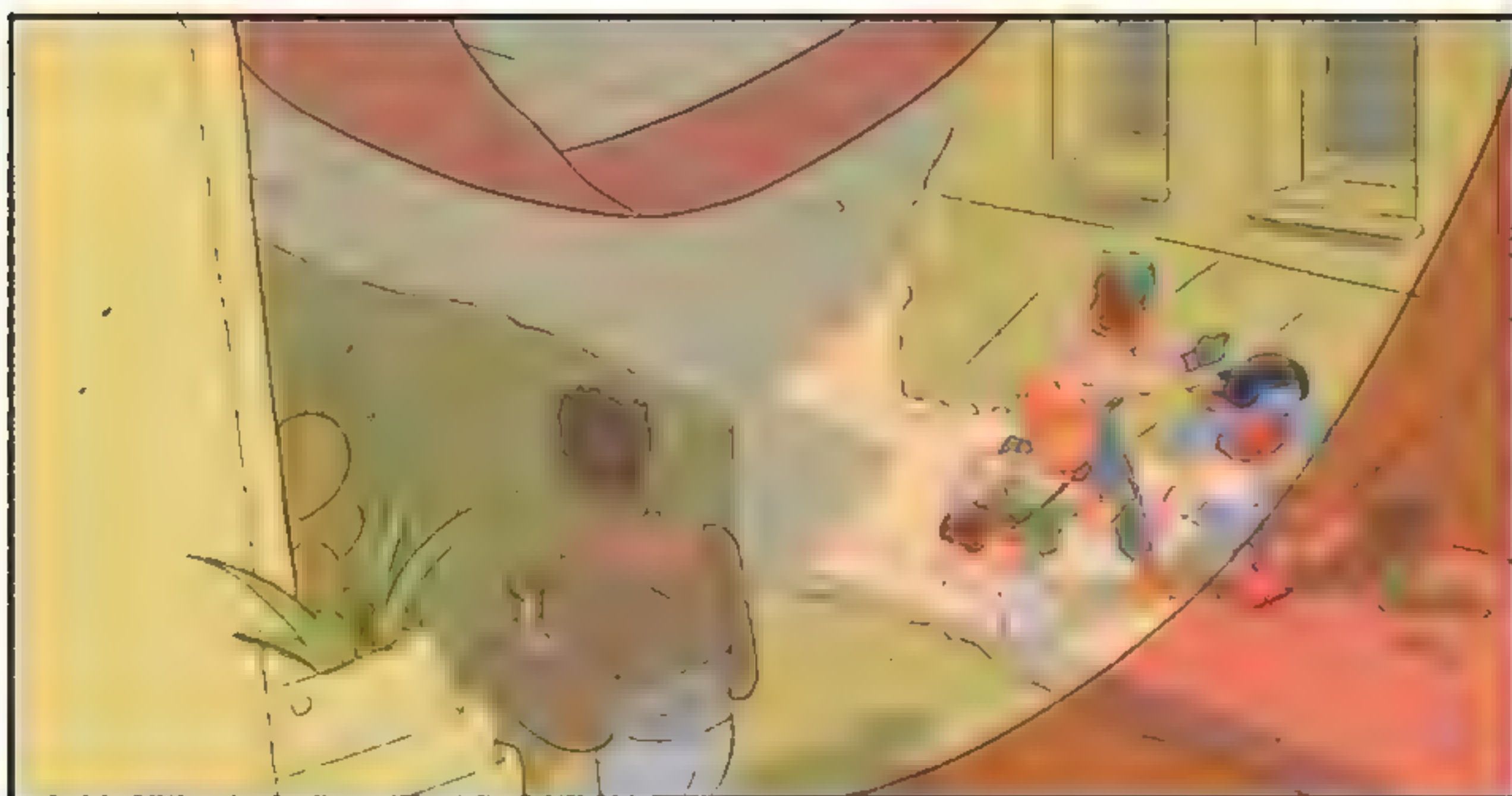












MEANWHILE...

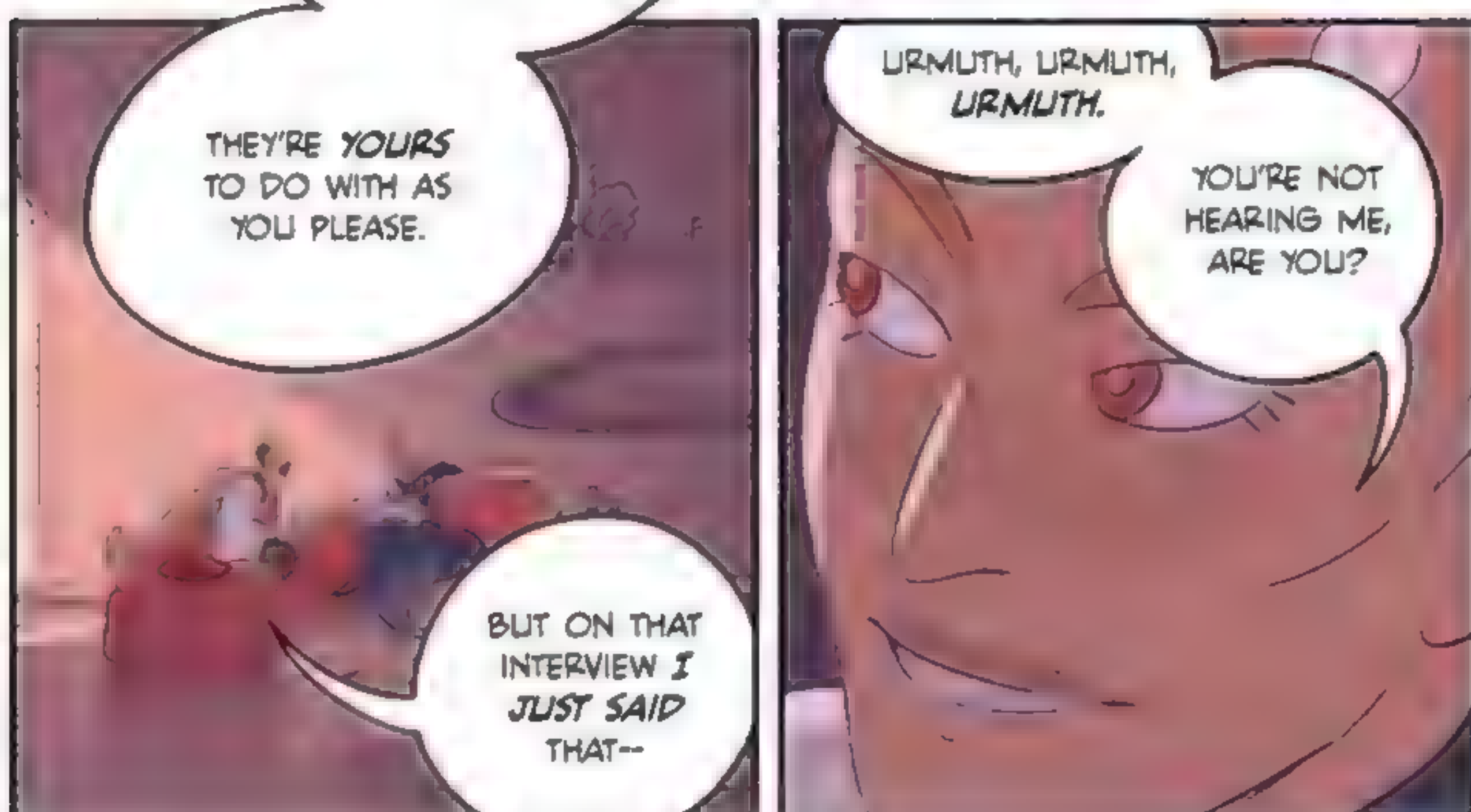
NICE WORK,
URMUTH.
YOU'RE A
NATURAL.

MY
APOLOGIES
FOR LETTING HER
GET SO CLOSE
TO THE BEACON.
*WE'LL CATCH
HER SOON,
MR. MOON!*

AND
THANK YOU
FOR COMING TO
SALASSANDRA
ON SUCH SHORT
NOTICE.

MY PLEASURE,
URMUTH... NOW, FOR
YOUR NEXT APPEARANCE ON
THE FEEDS, TELL THEM *SHE*
DID NOT LIGHT ANY OF THE
BEACONS. THOSE WERE...
ACCIDENTS.

*BUT
DIDN'T
SHE...?*





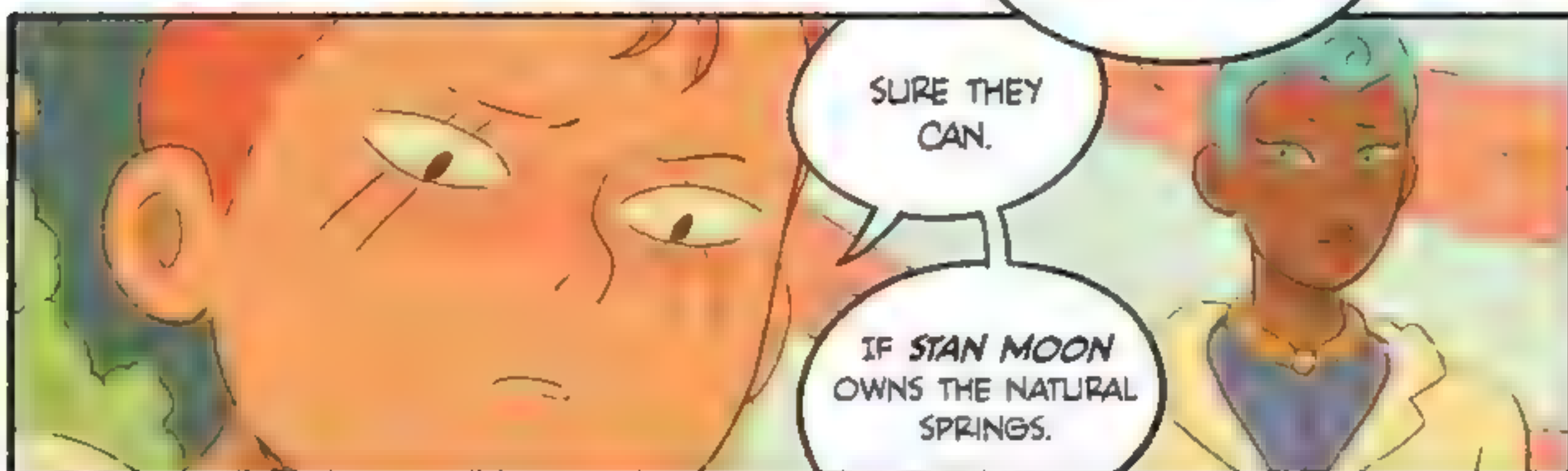
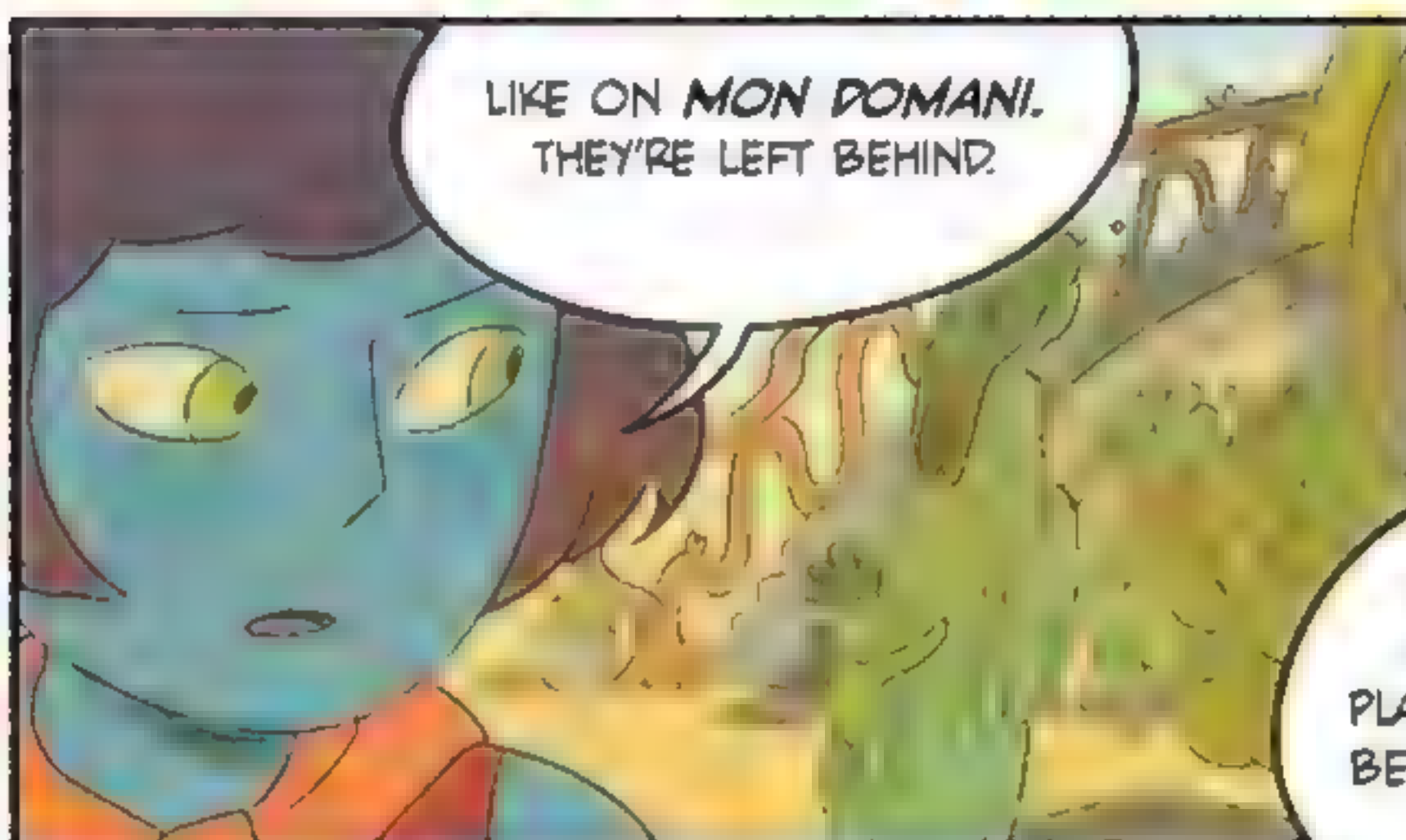


Chapter 2

TEN THOUSAND VOICES

GREENS MARKET







I SEE
STARLIGHT IN
YOUR EYES!
LALALA...

EEP!

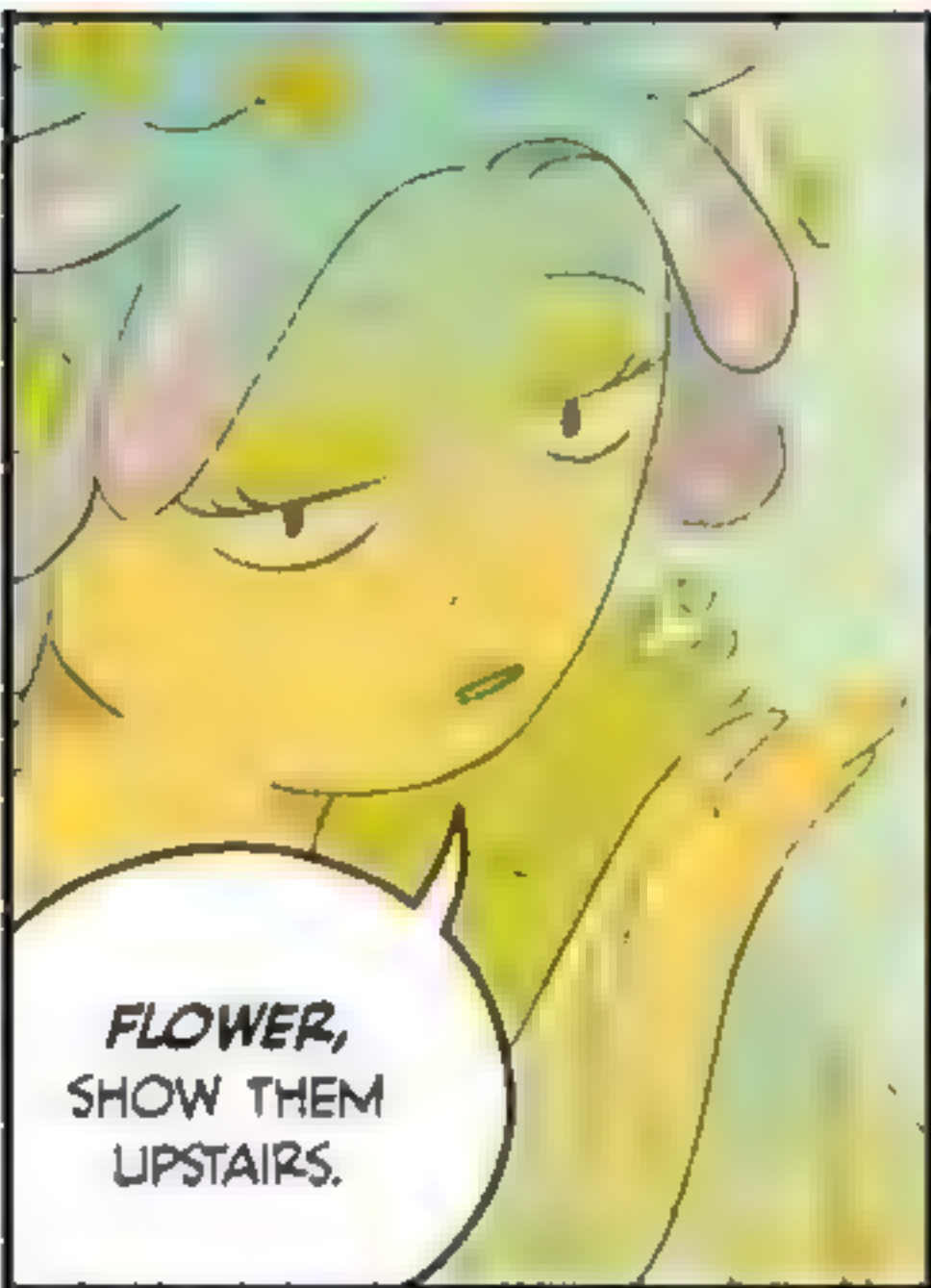
'BOUT TIME. A TREE
COULD GROW IN THE
TIME IT TOOK THIS
CLIP OF--

OOPS!!

HOW DO
YOU PEOPLE
EVEN STAY IN
BUSINESS?!

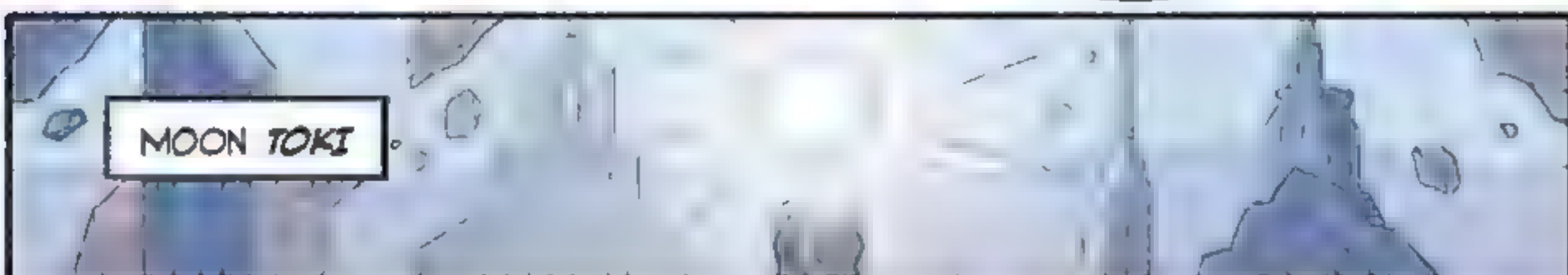
SO SORRY.
REALLY, REALLY
SORRY.

HEY THERE.
SIT ANYWHERE
YOU LIKE.





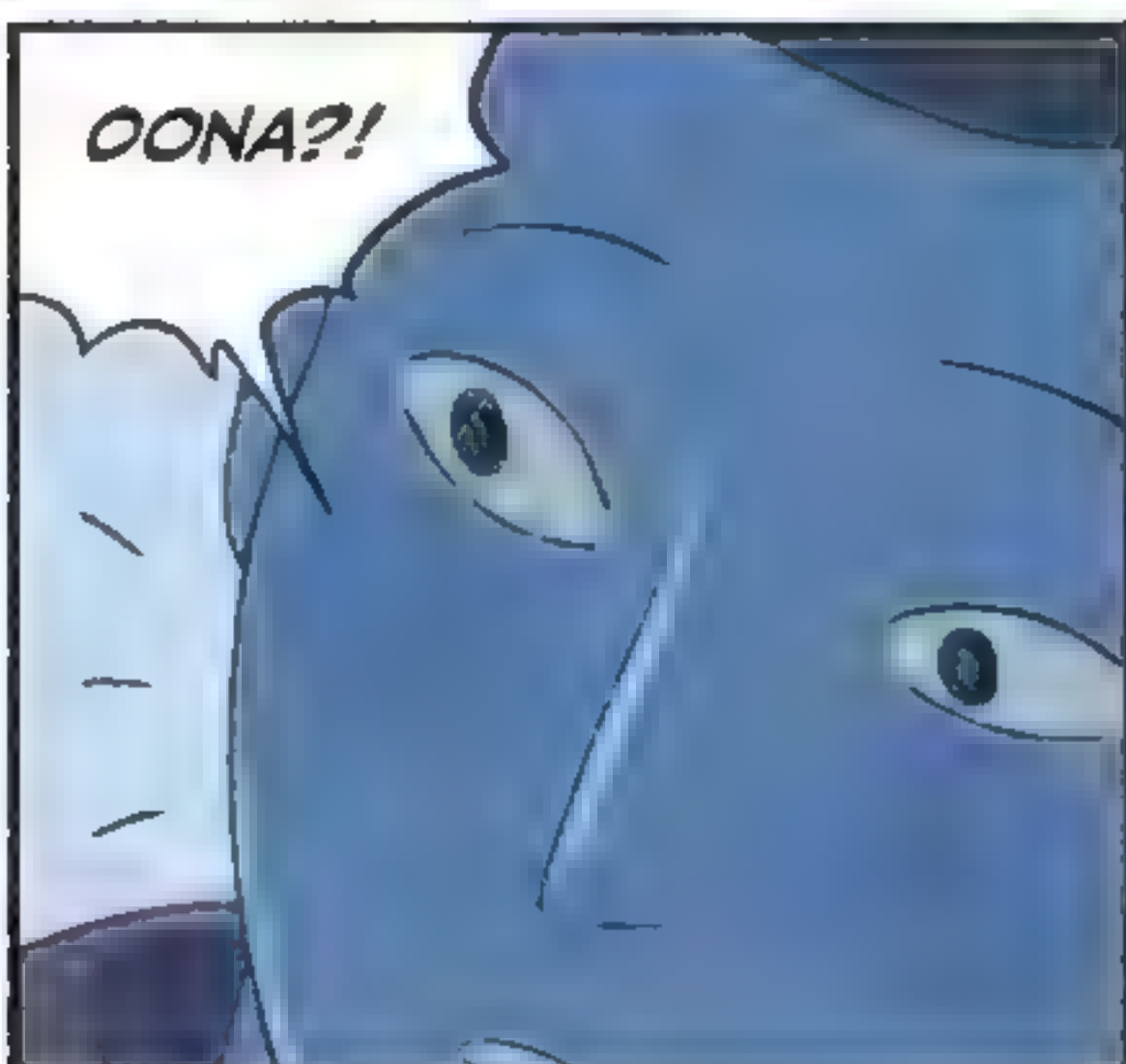
I'D LOVE
TO DANCE, **RAM
SAM SAM**. BUT
WE HAVE TO REACH
VECTOR NOW.



OFF-WORLD CALL
FOR YOU, **PRINCE
VECTOR**.

NOT NOW,
THORN! THE
FORMER COUNCIL
MEMBERS KEEP
STIRRING UP
TROUBLE--

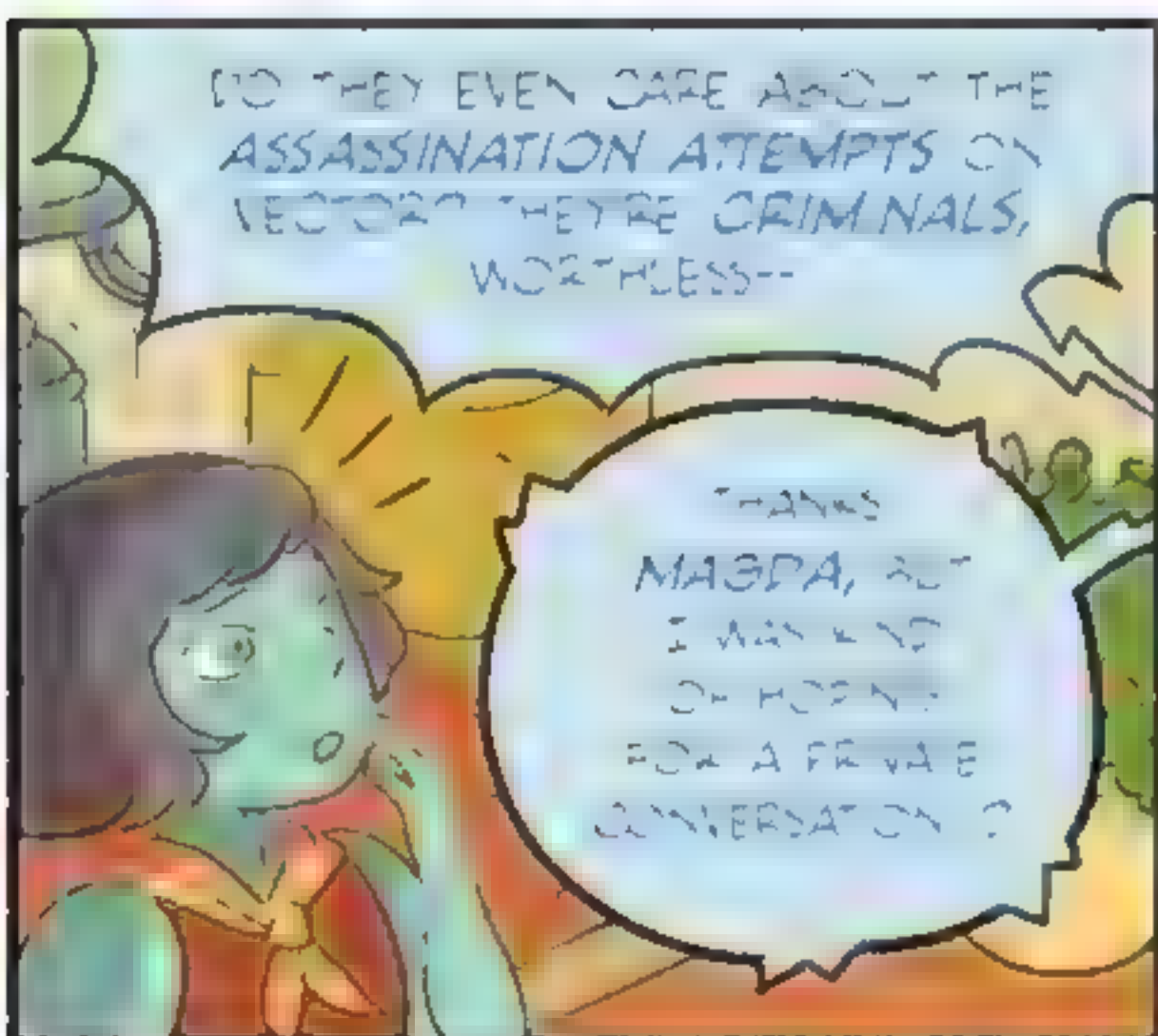
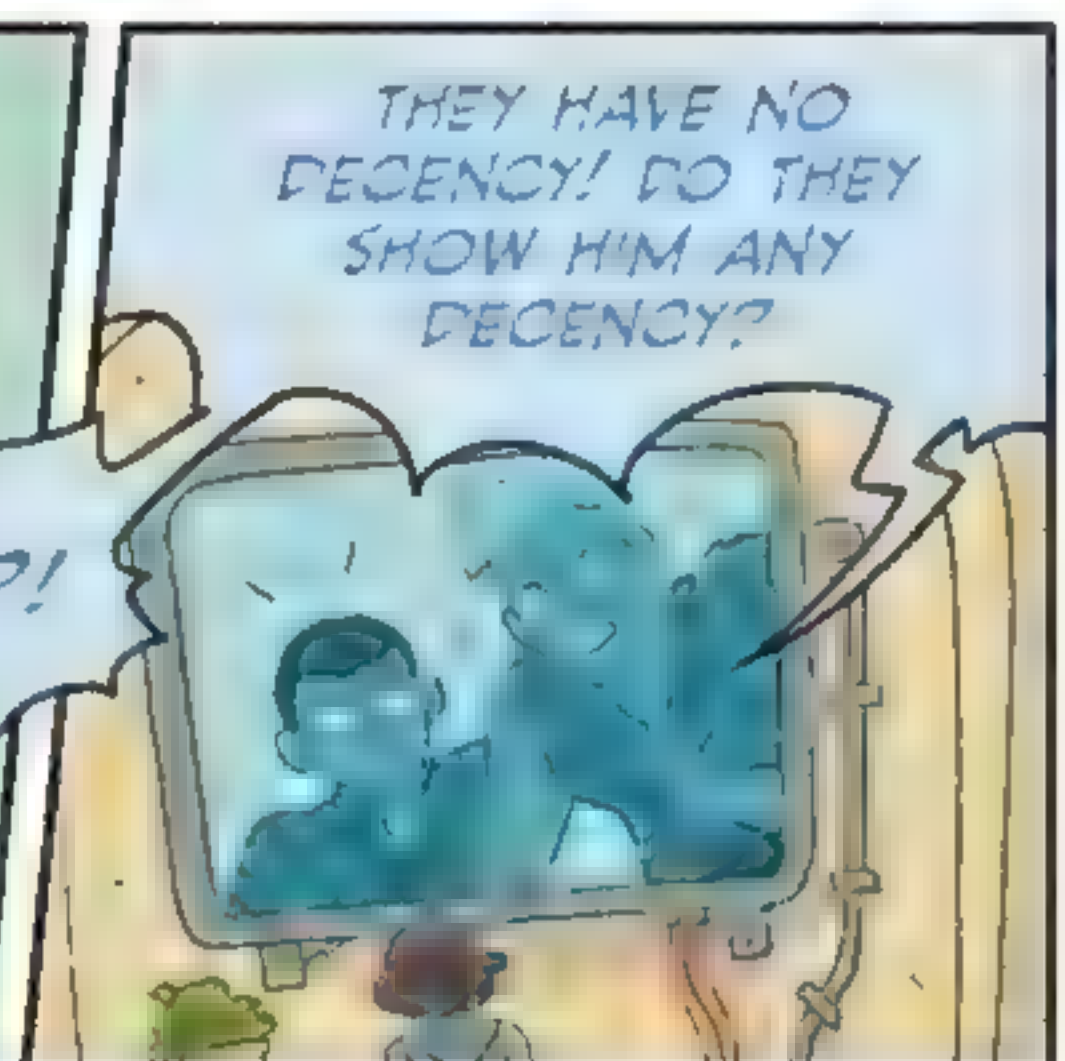
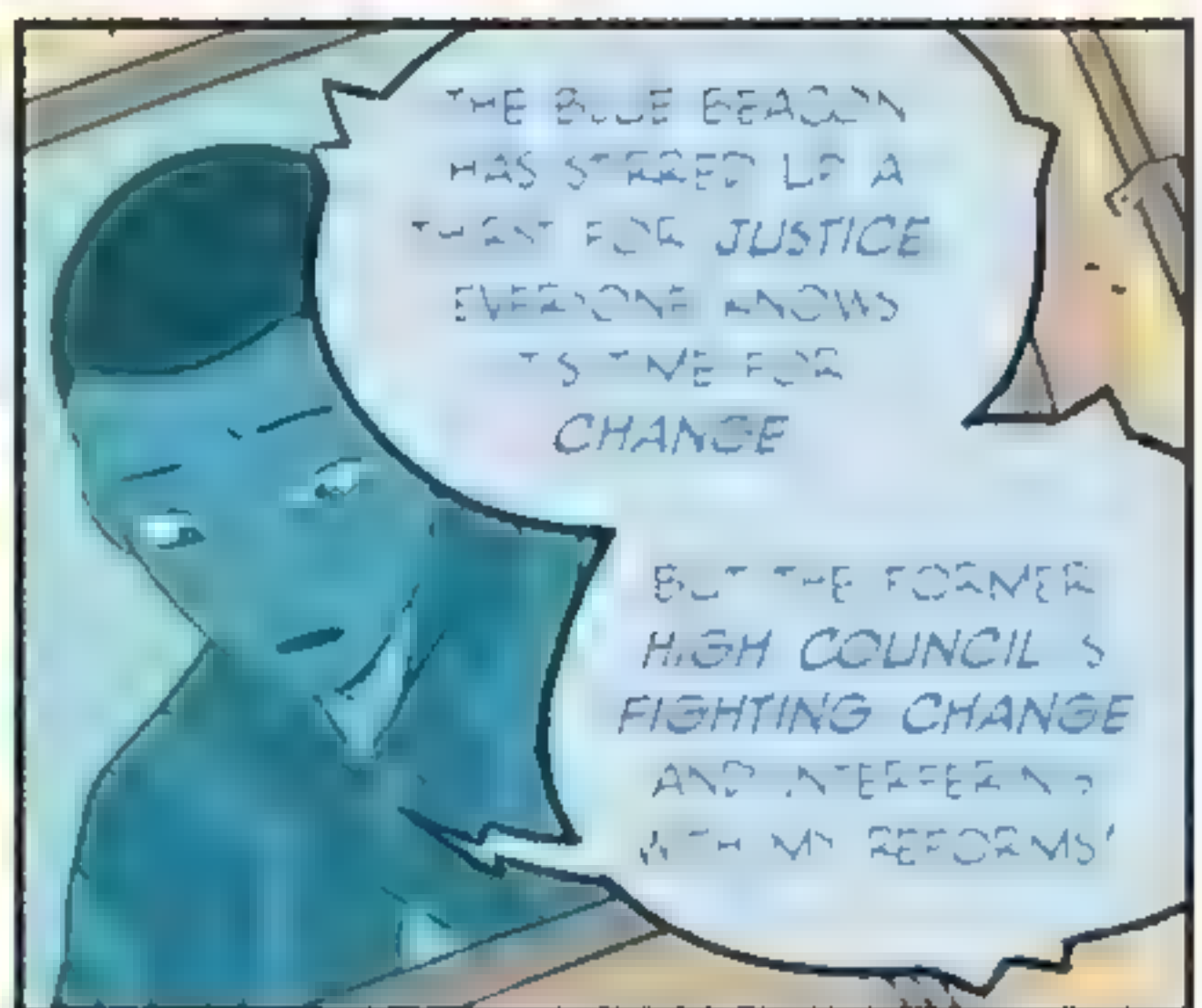
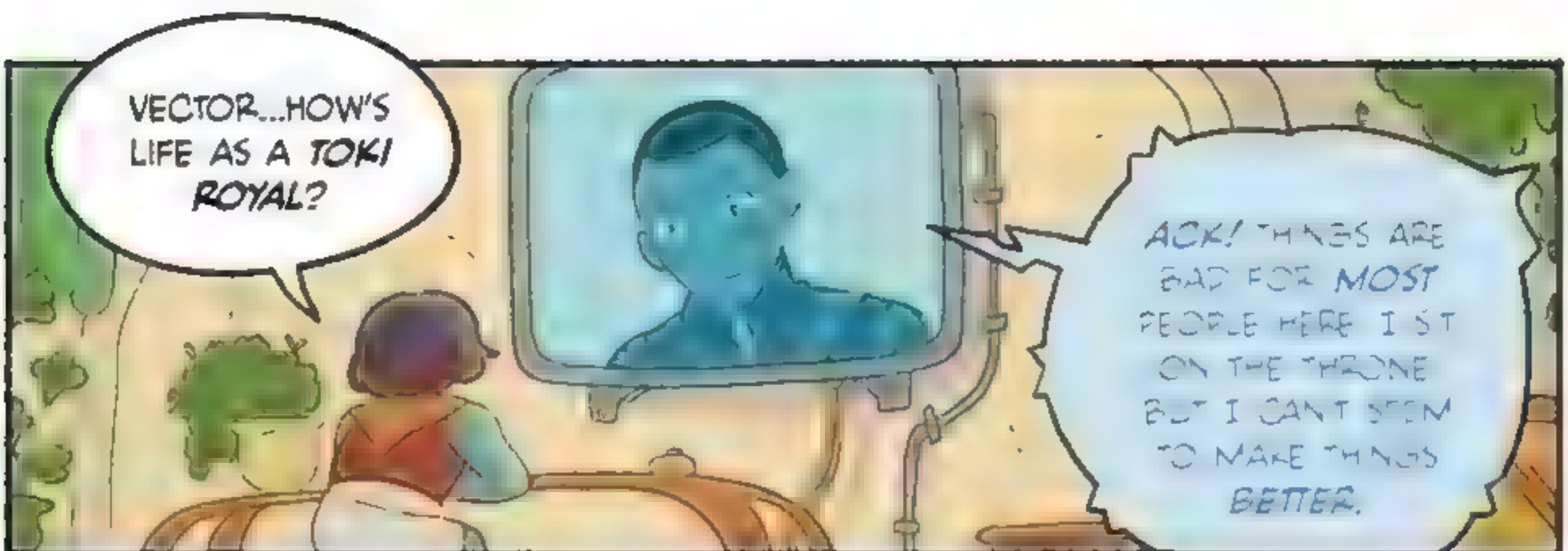
IT'S FROM
OONA LEE!

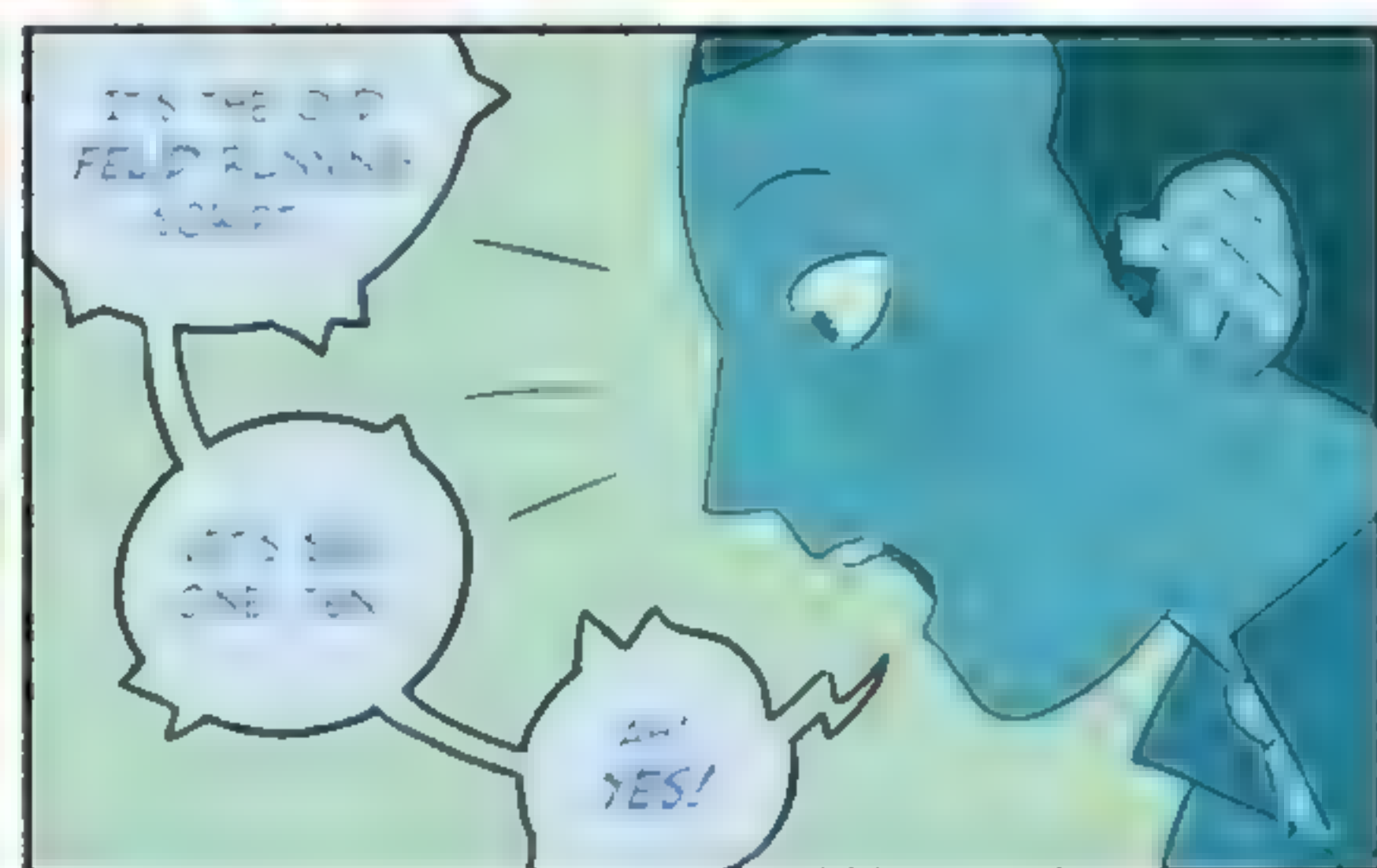
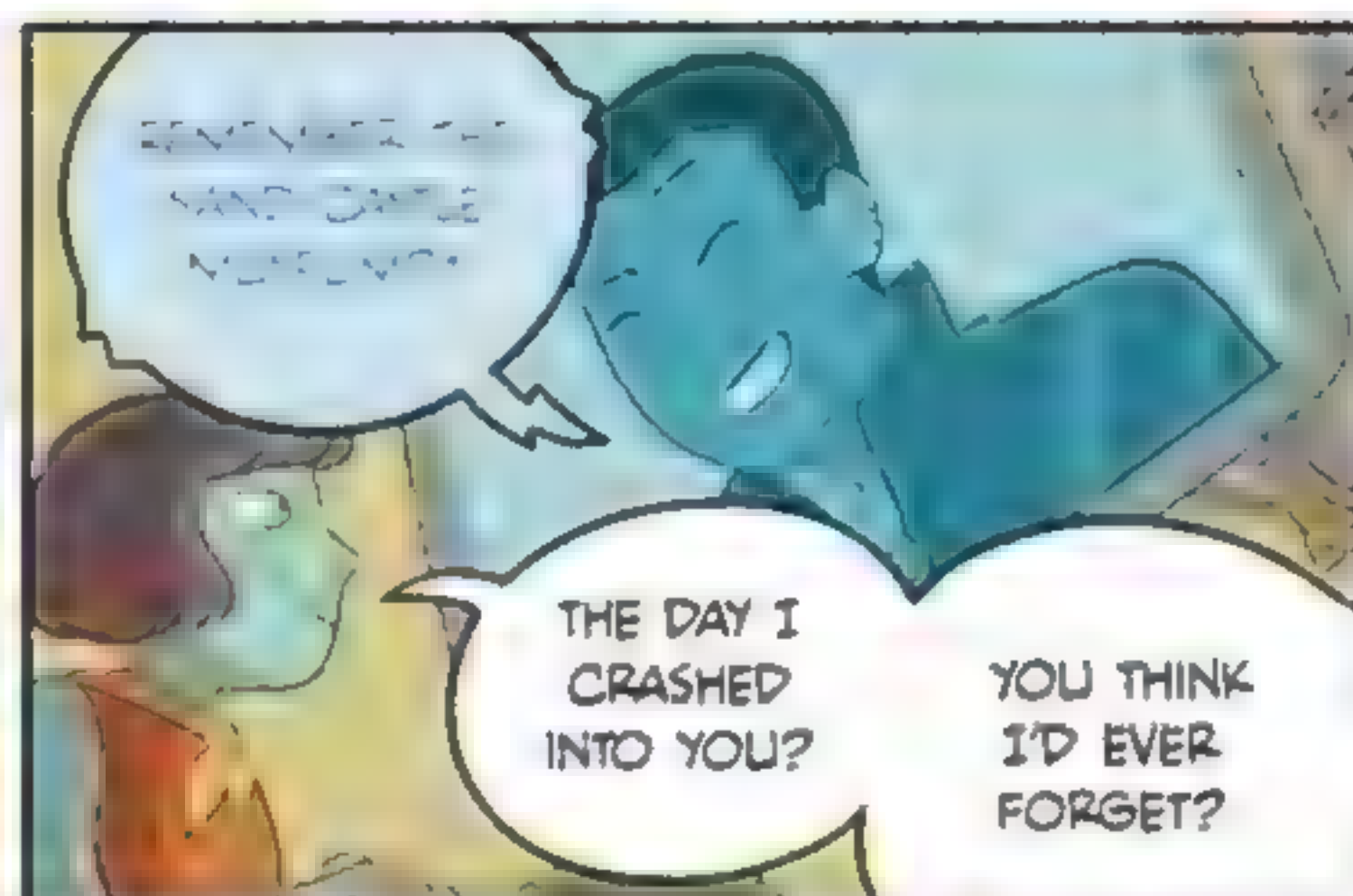
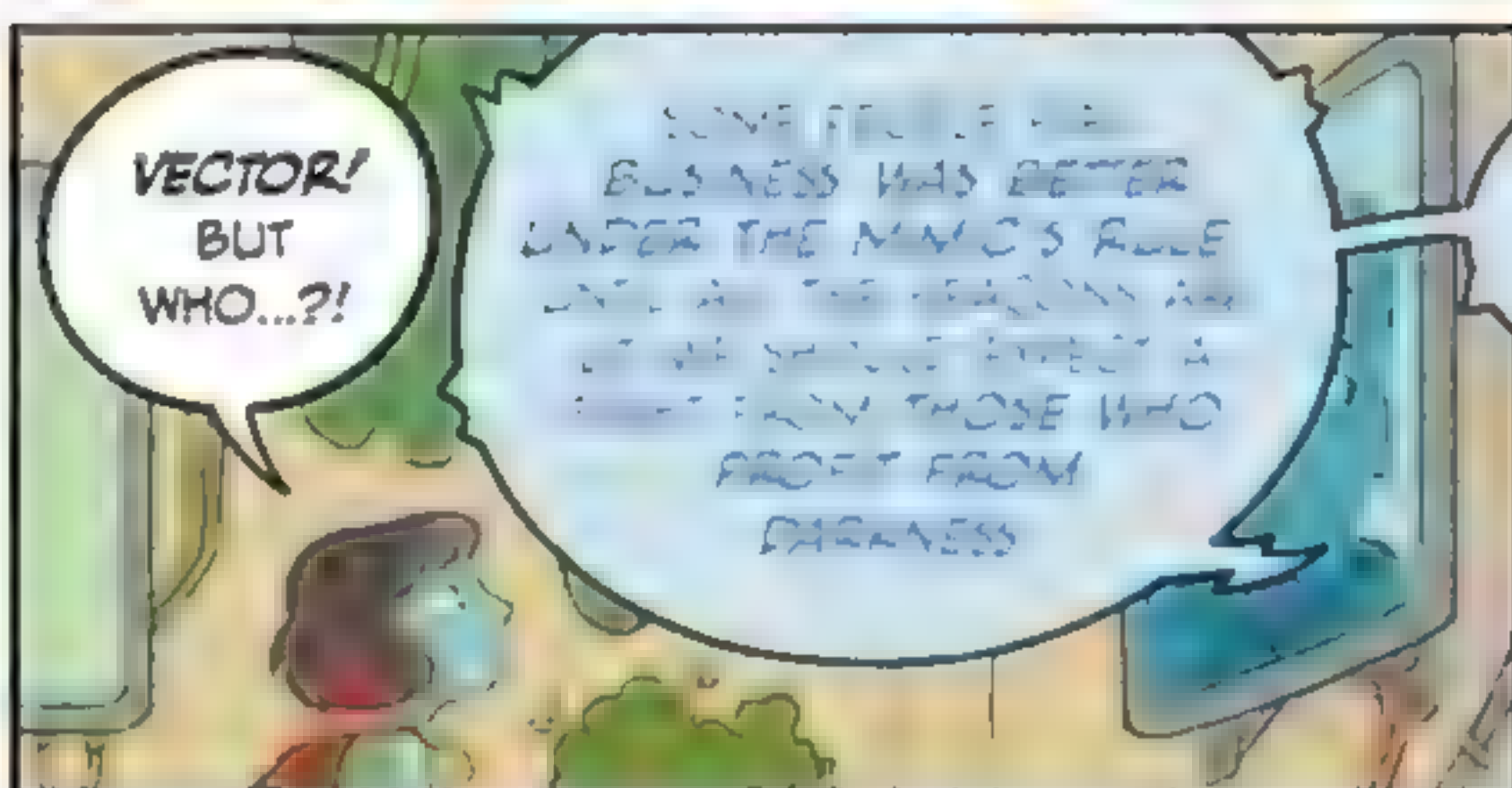


OONA?!

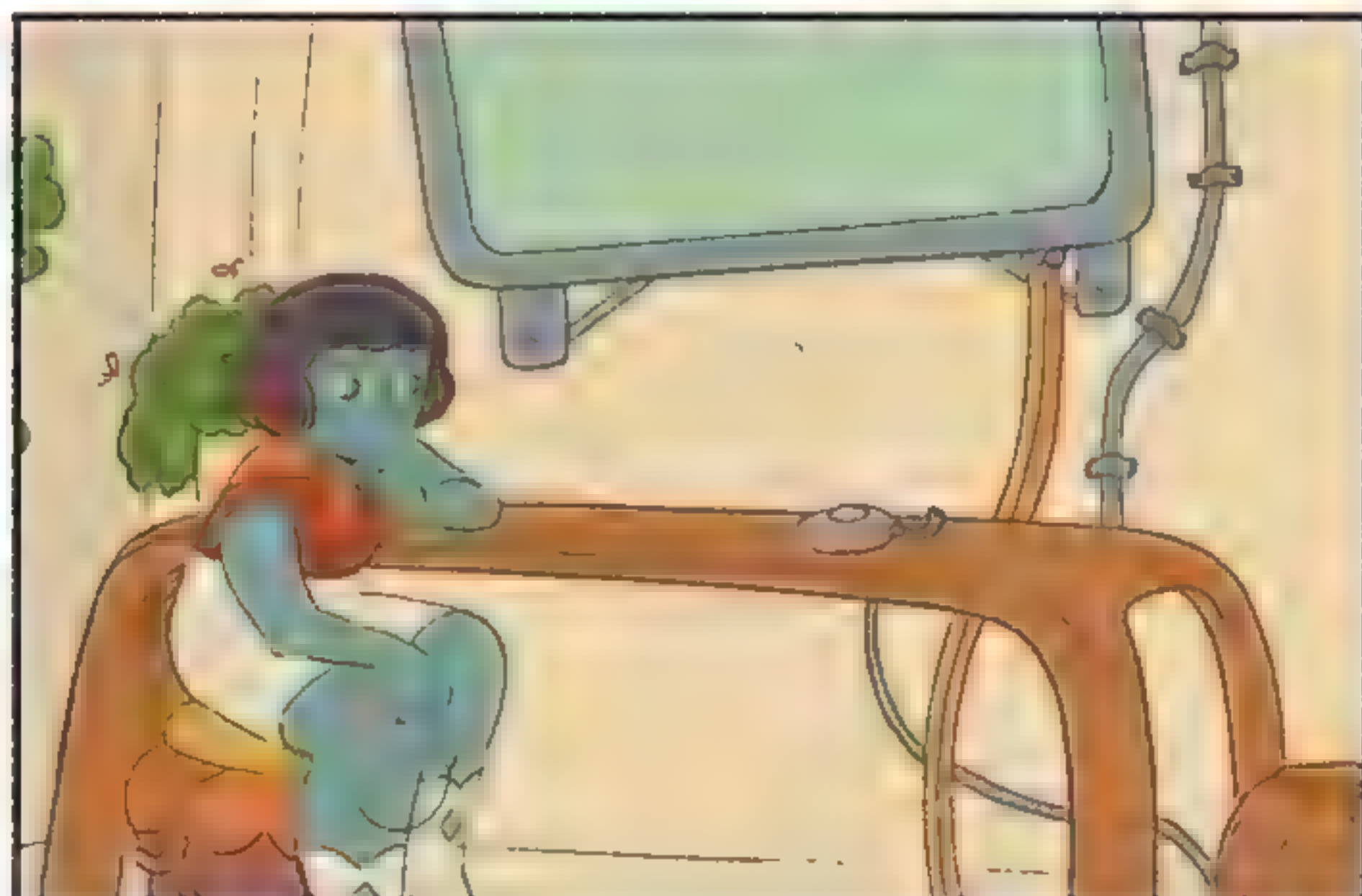
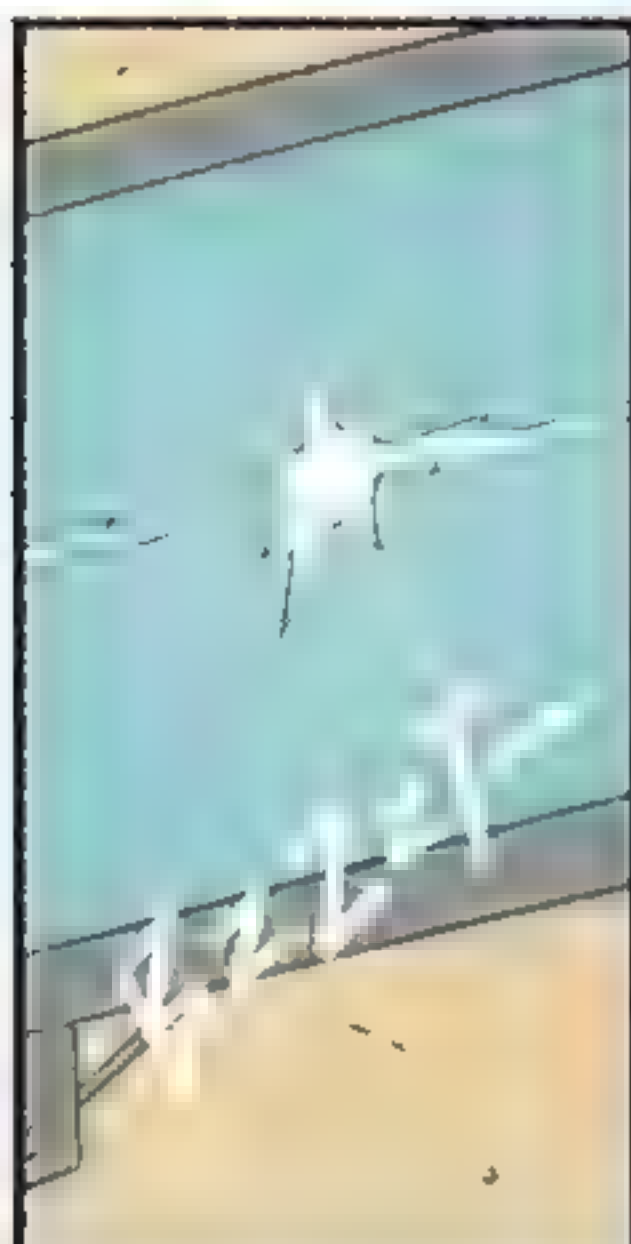
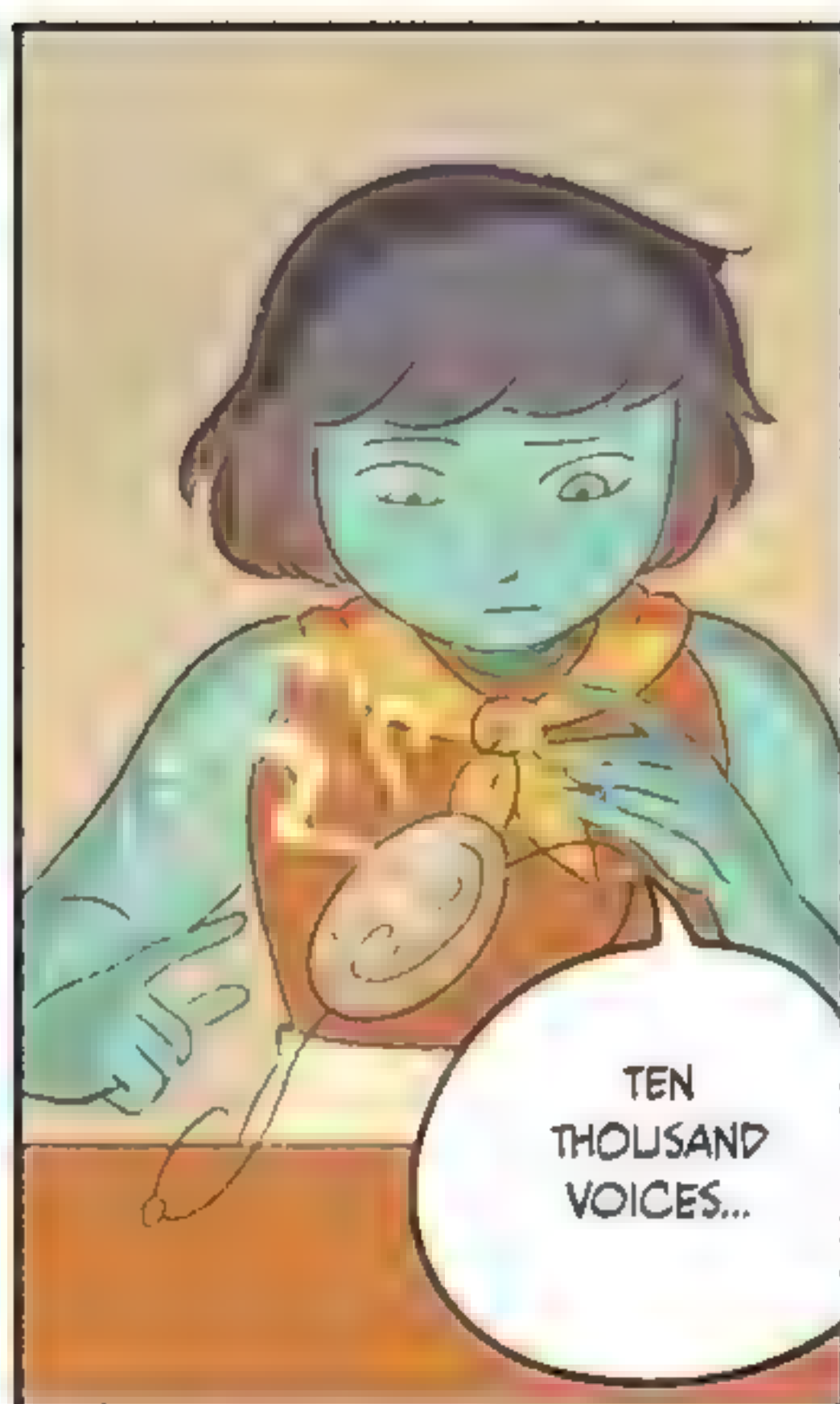


YES, I'LL
TAKE IT.





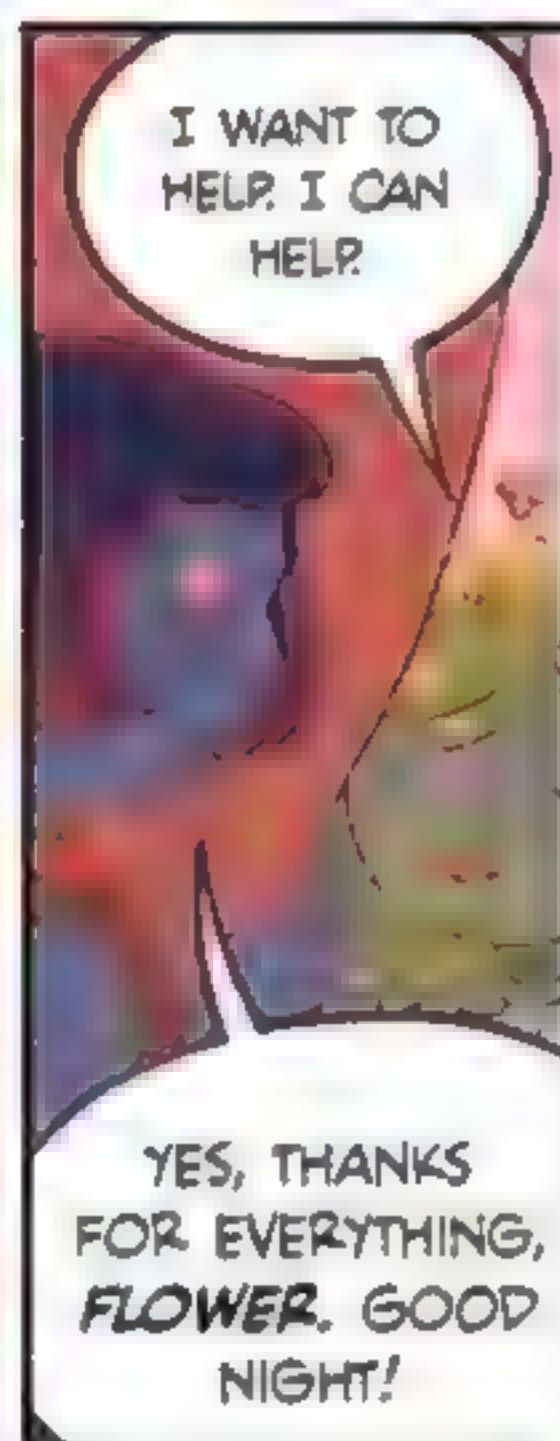
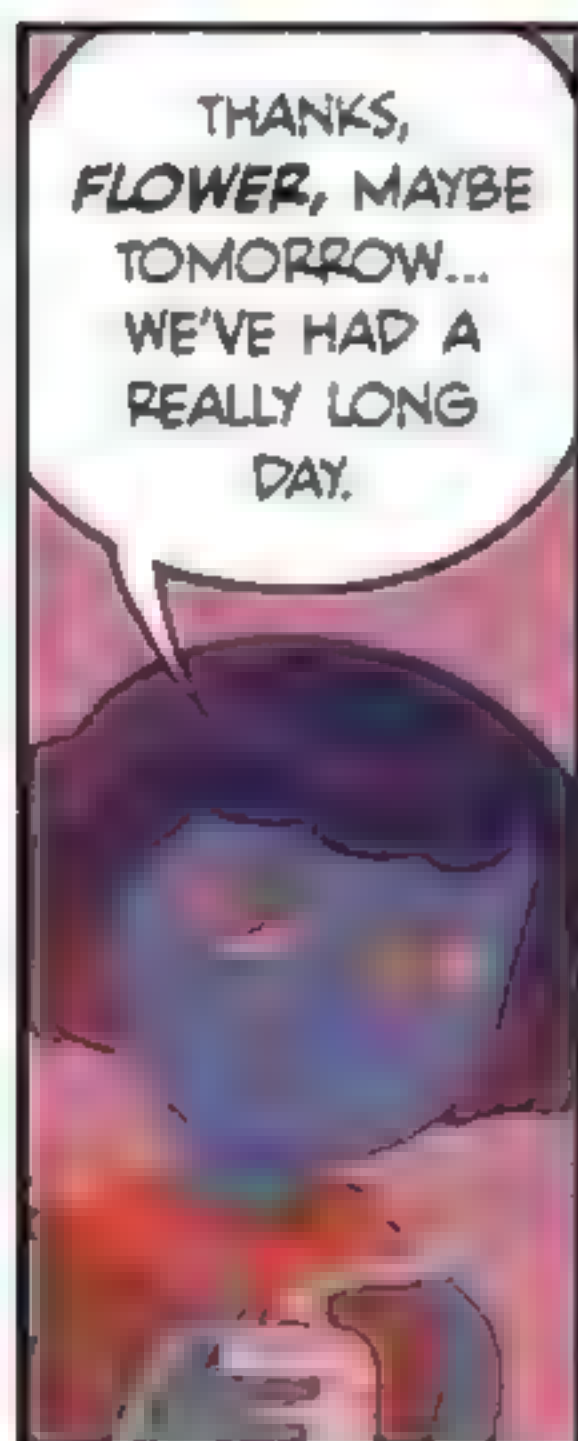
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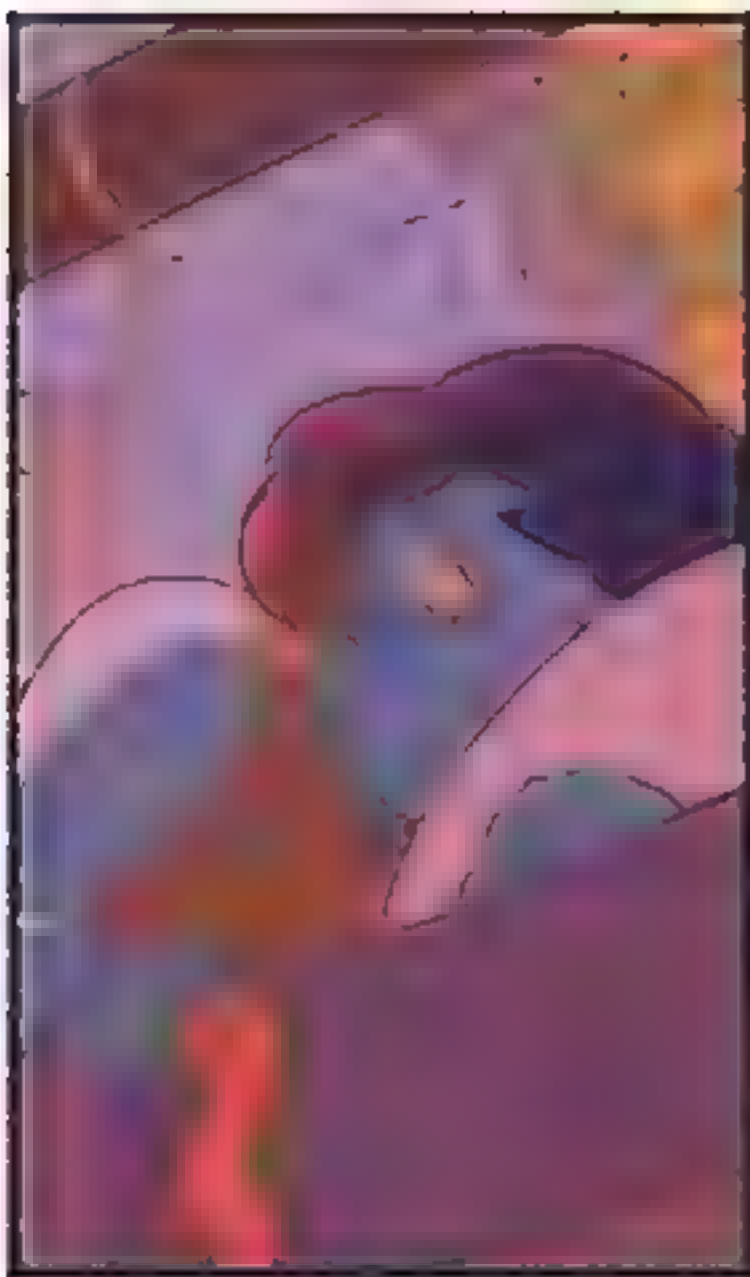


Chapter 4

STRANGE DREAMS







I HOPE
WE'RE SAFE
HERE.

THINGS
HAVEN'T WORKED
OUT TOO WELL
TODAY.

AT LEAST
WE KNOW
WHAT THE
GLYPHS
SAY.

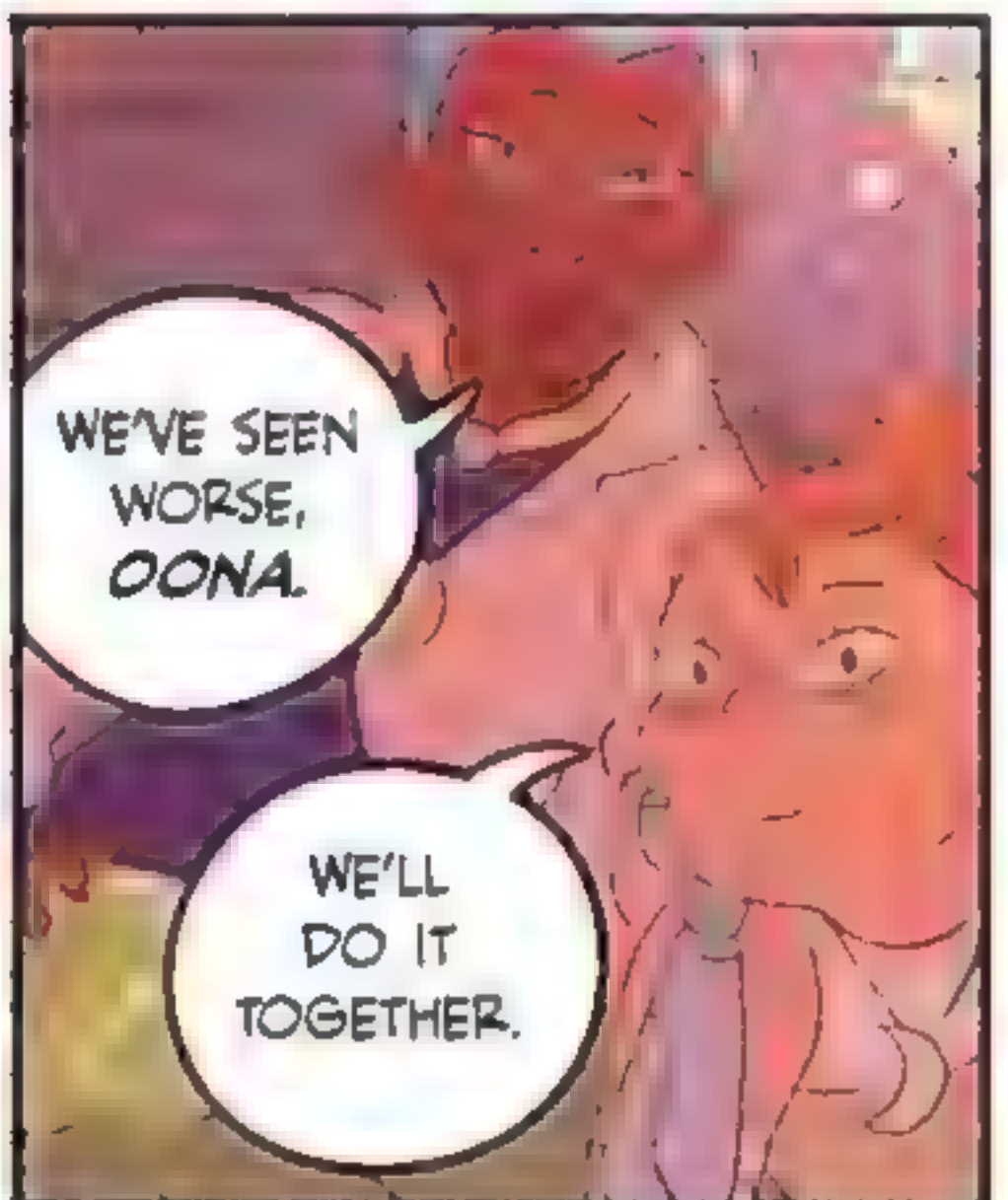


YEAH. WE
HAVE TO FIND
THE *AMBER*
ANTHEM.

AND GET *TEN
THOUSAND*
PEOPLE TO
SING IT WITH
US.

AND ALONG
THE WAY, FREE
O'ZIRG FROM
PRISON!

AND AVOID
URMUTH'S
GOONS, WHO
WANT TO JAIL
US TOO.



WE'VE SEEN
WORSE,
OONA.

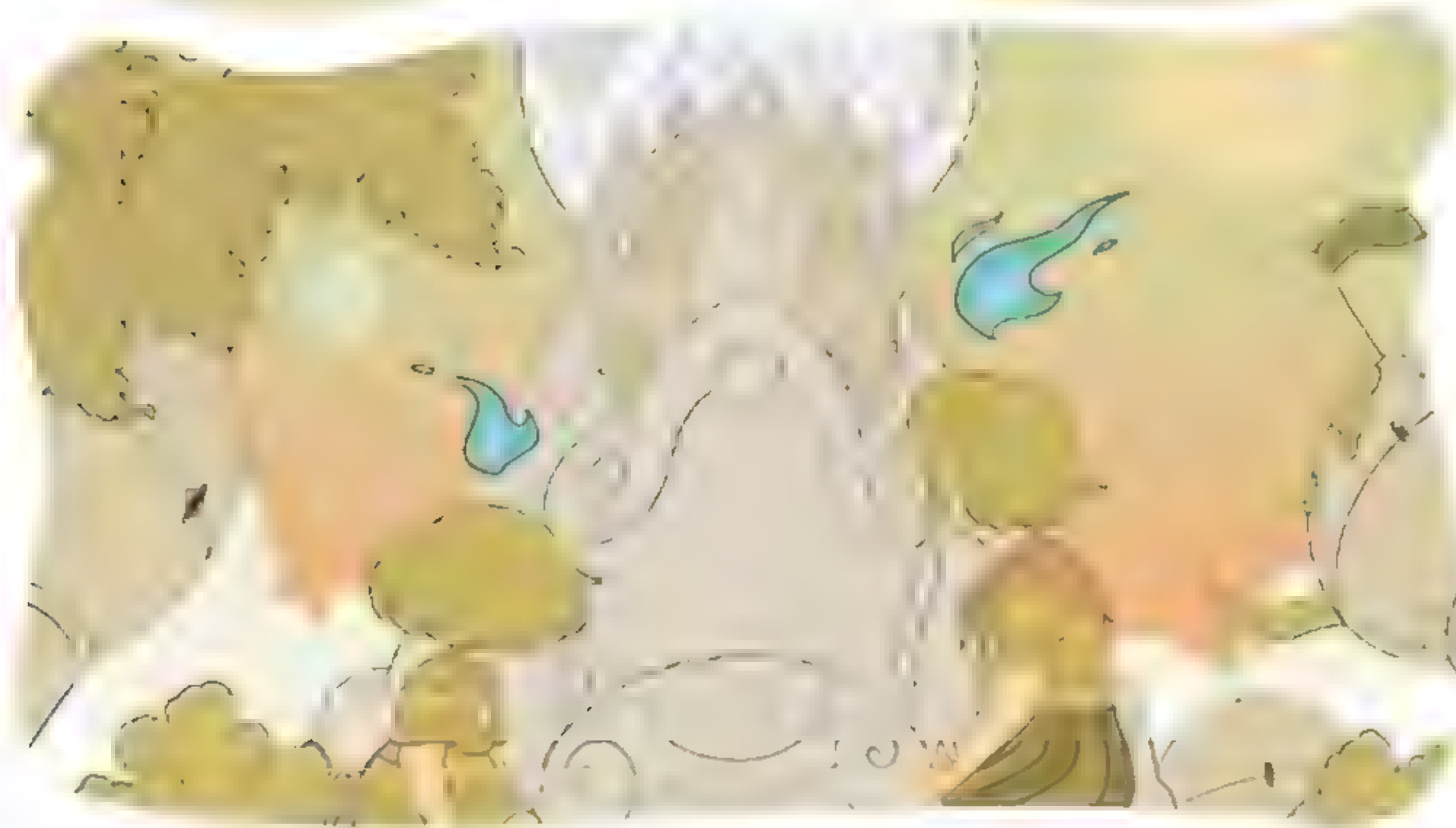
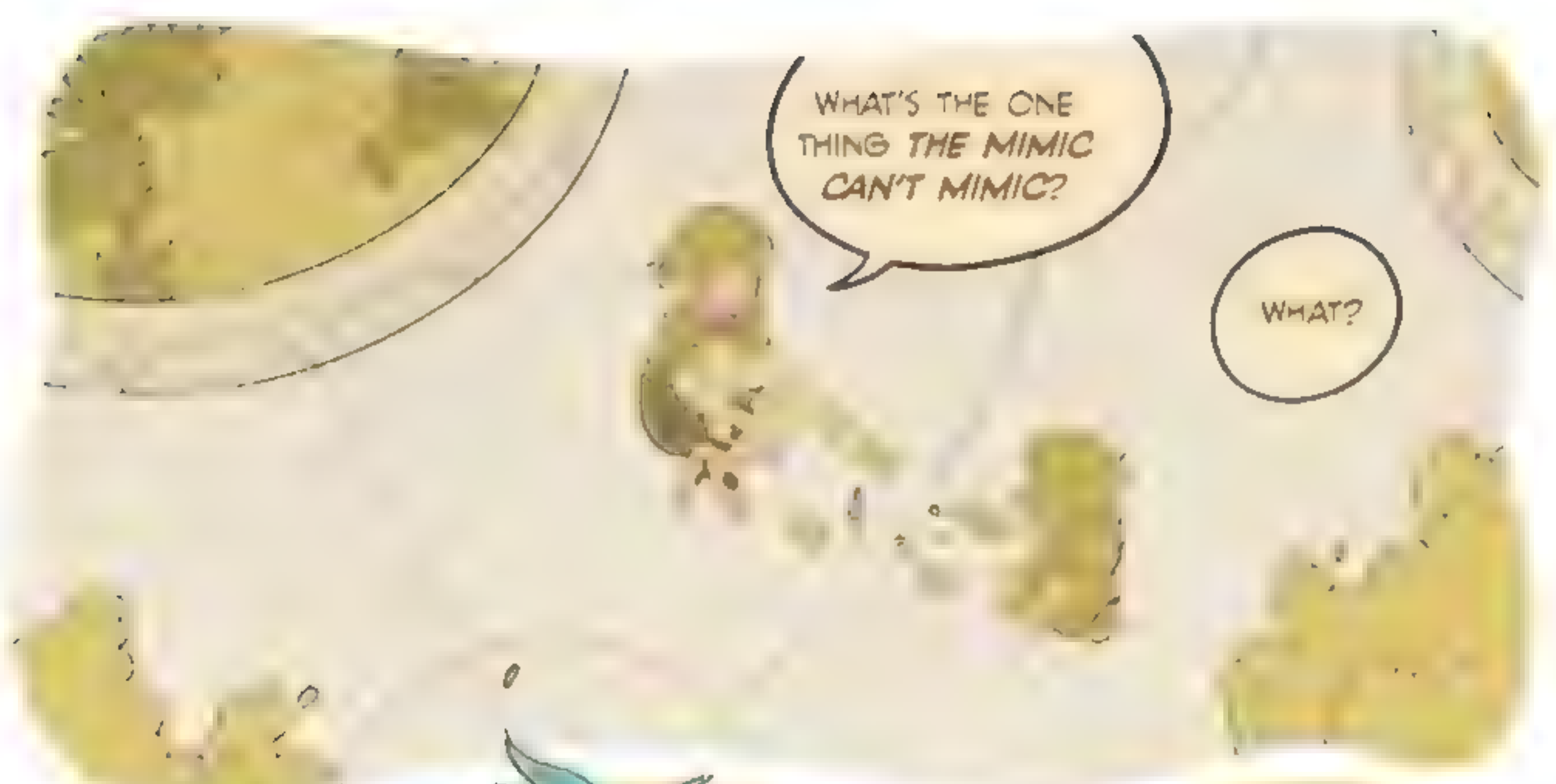
WE'LL
DO IT
TOGETHER.

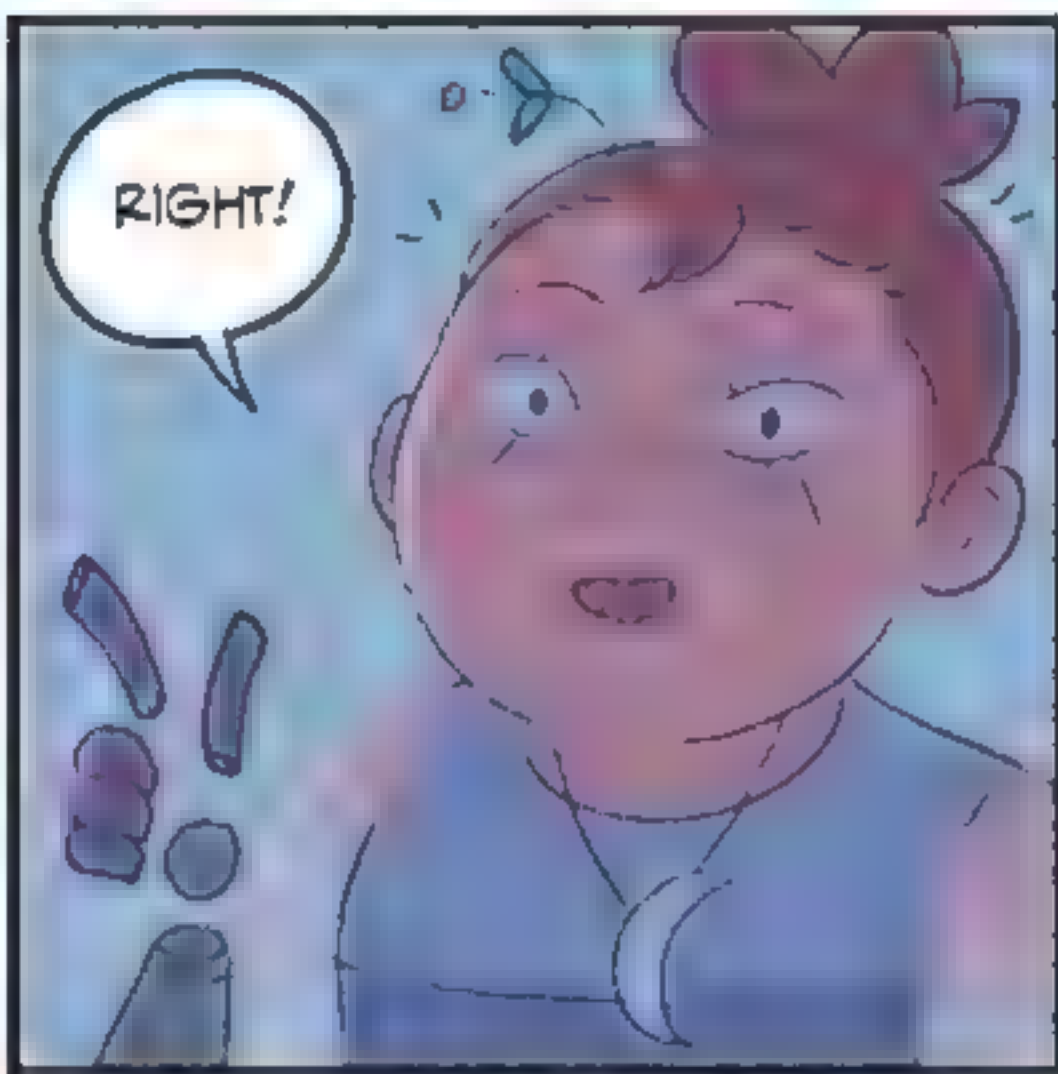
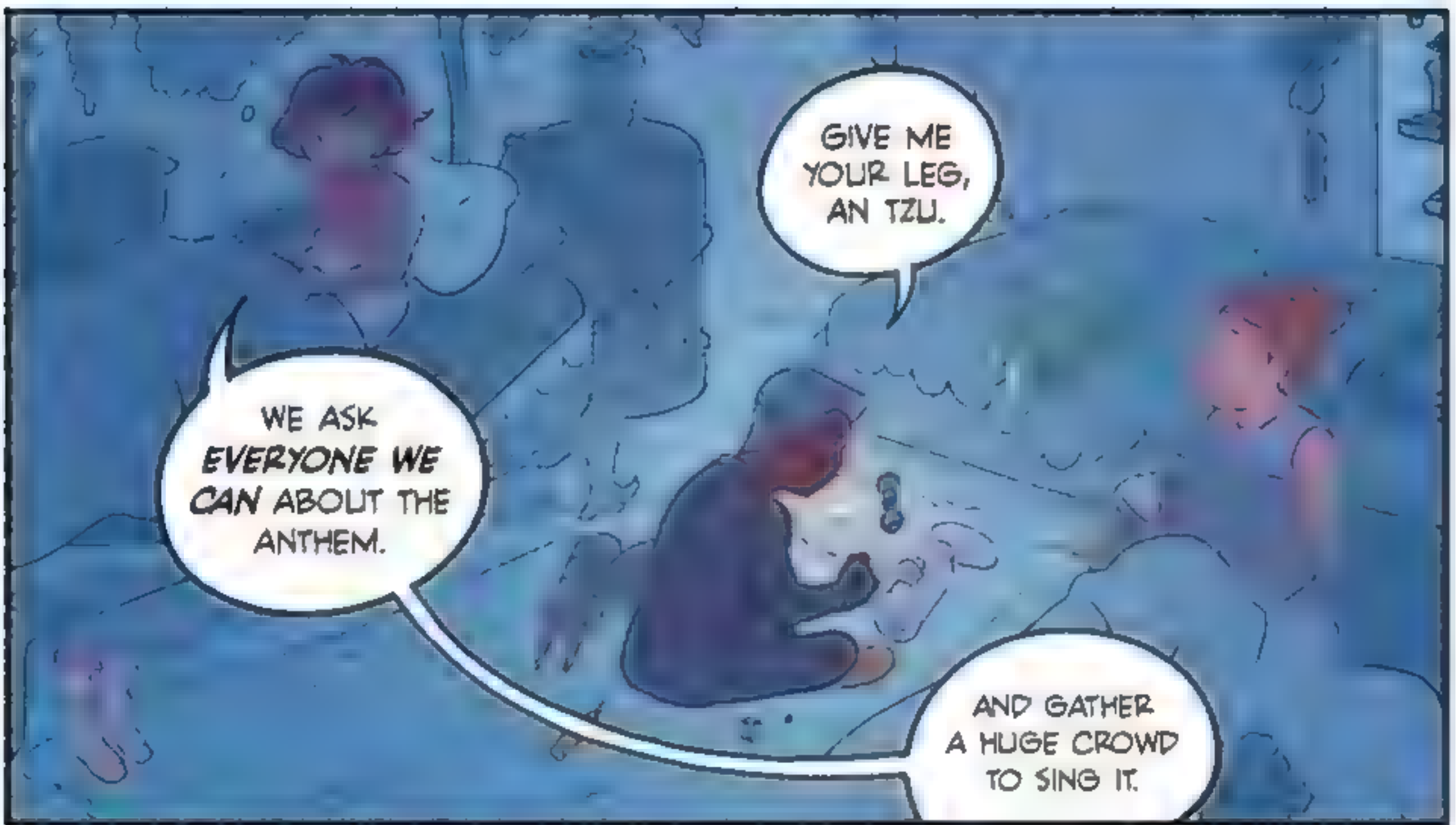


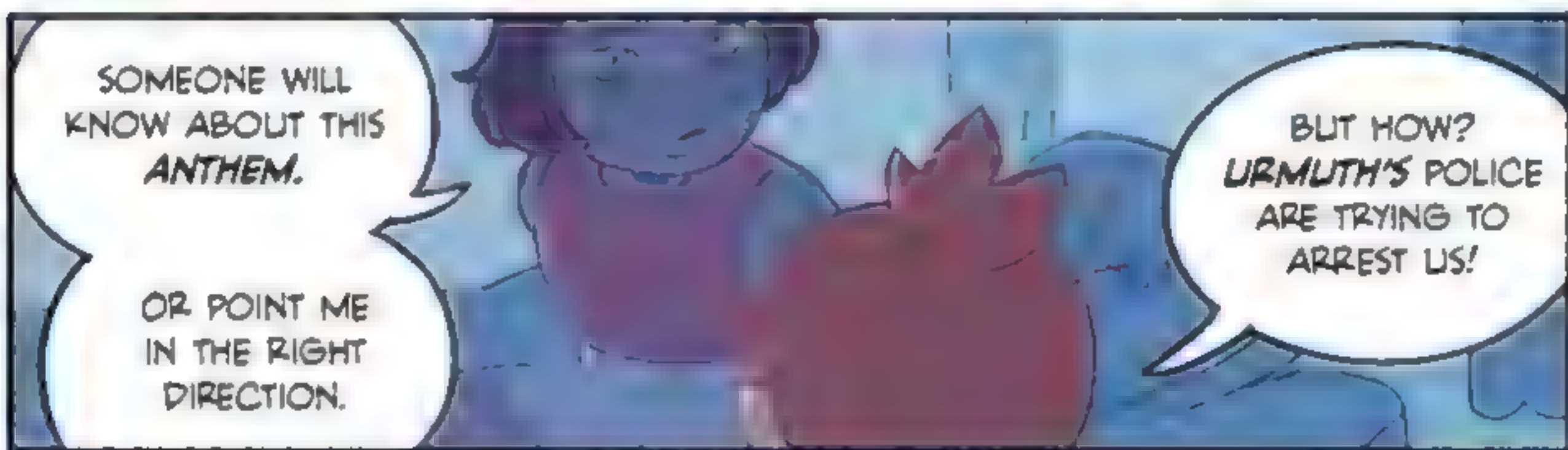
THANKS,
GUYS.
(YAWN)

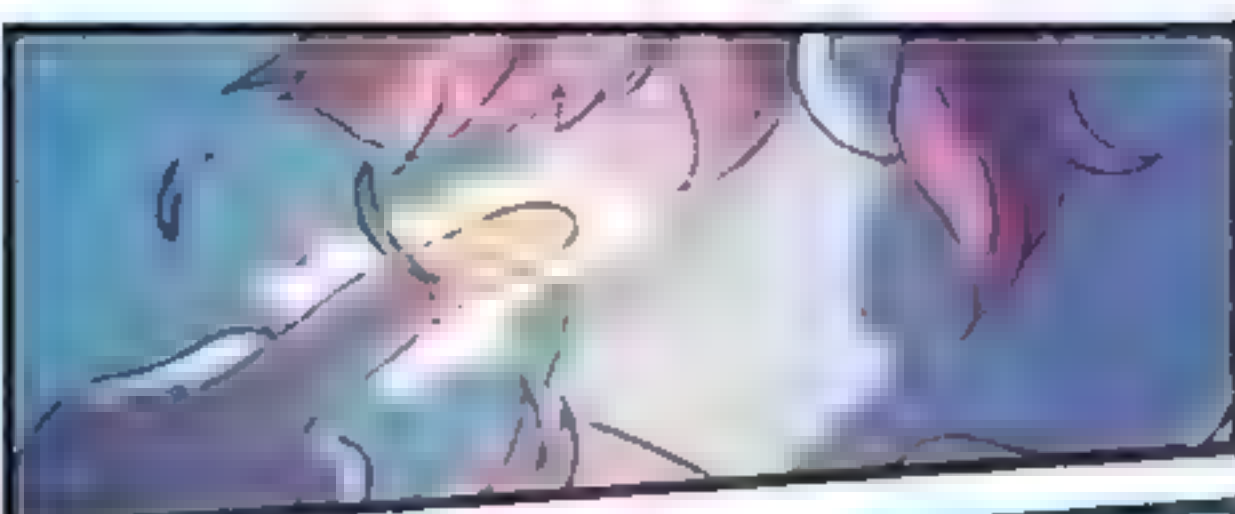
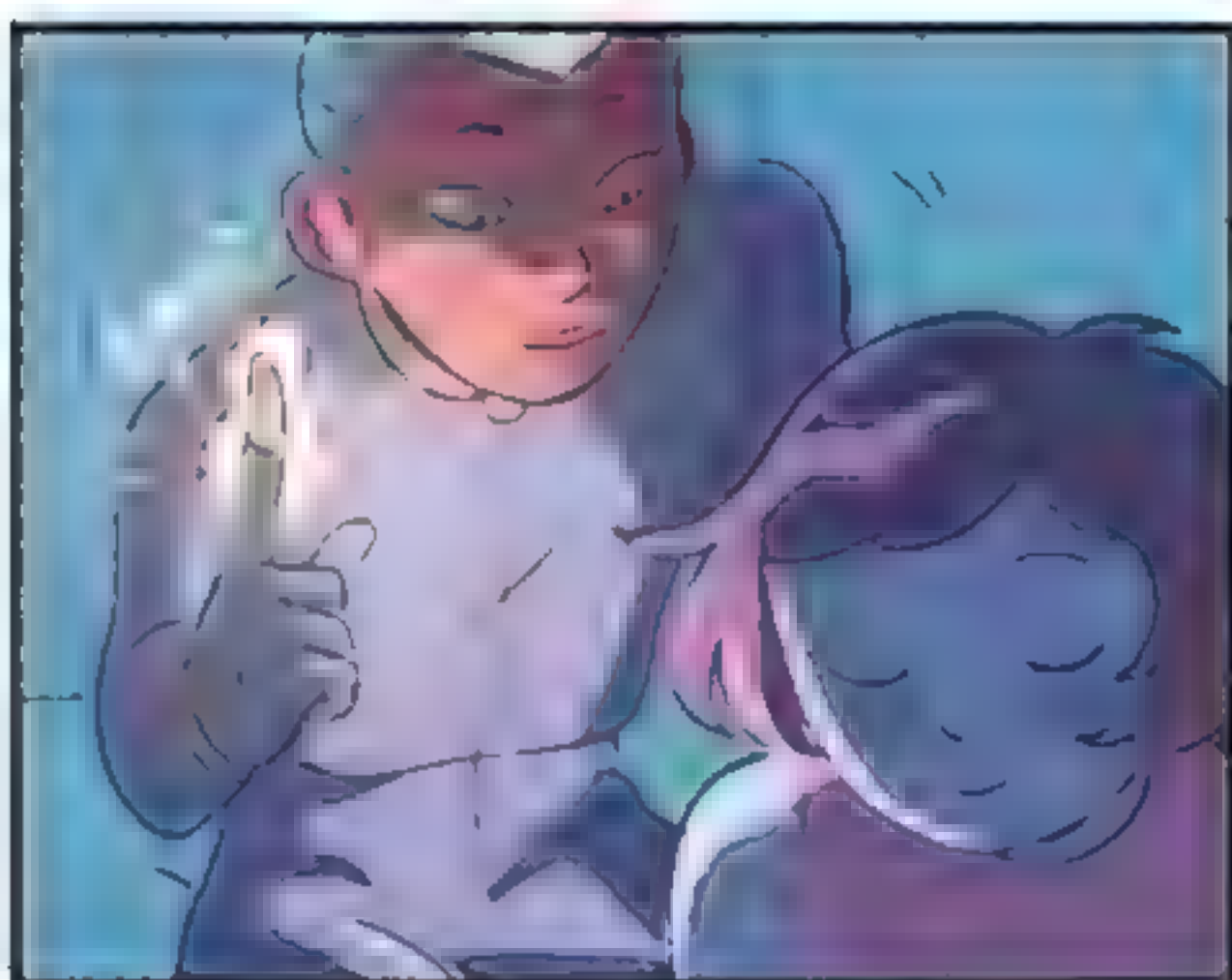
GOOD
NIGHT,
OONA.



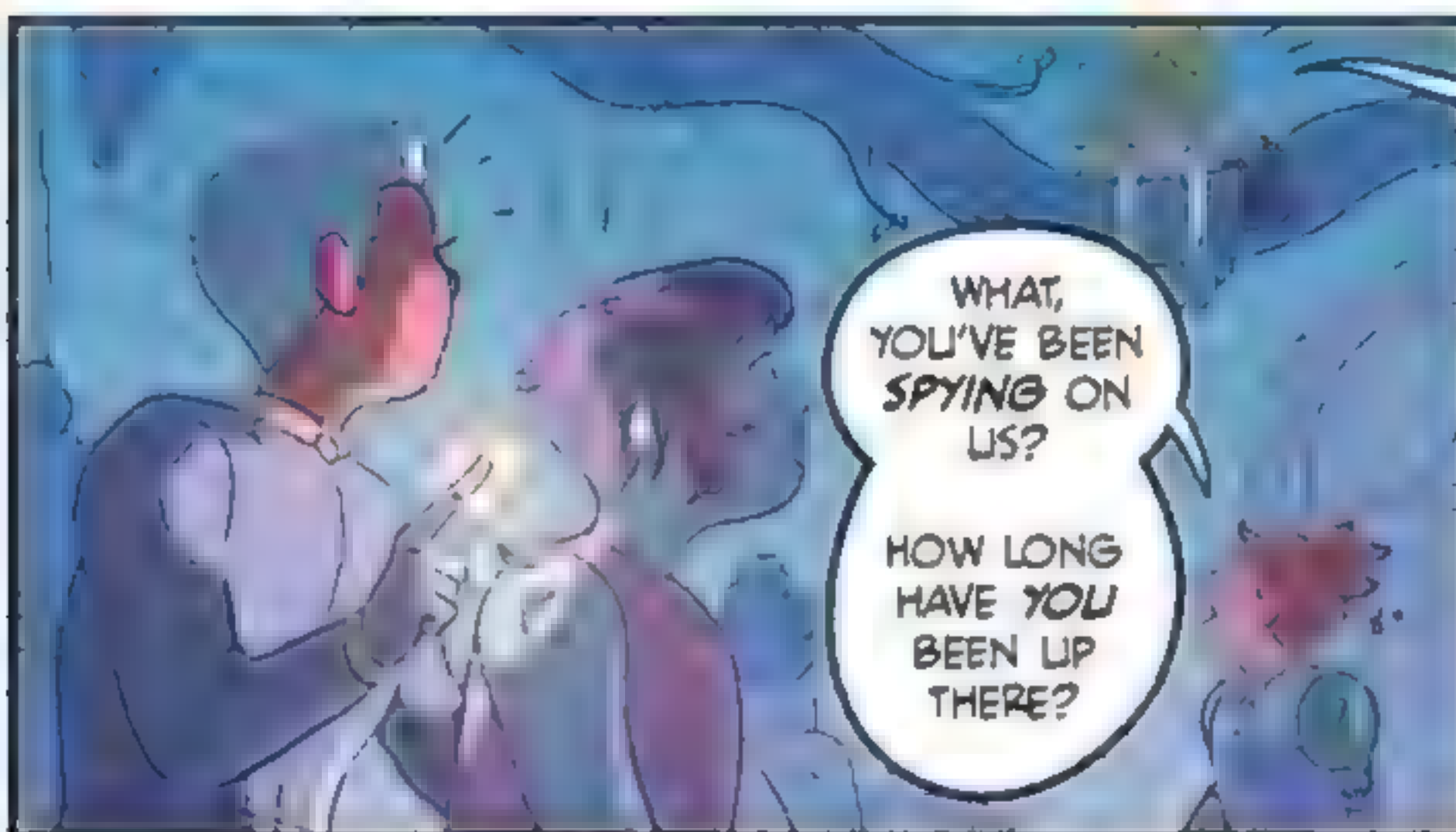








A CHANGE
OF CLOTHES
WOULD HELP YOU
BLEND IN,
TOO.

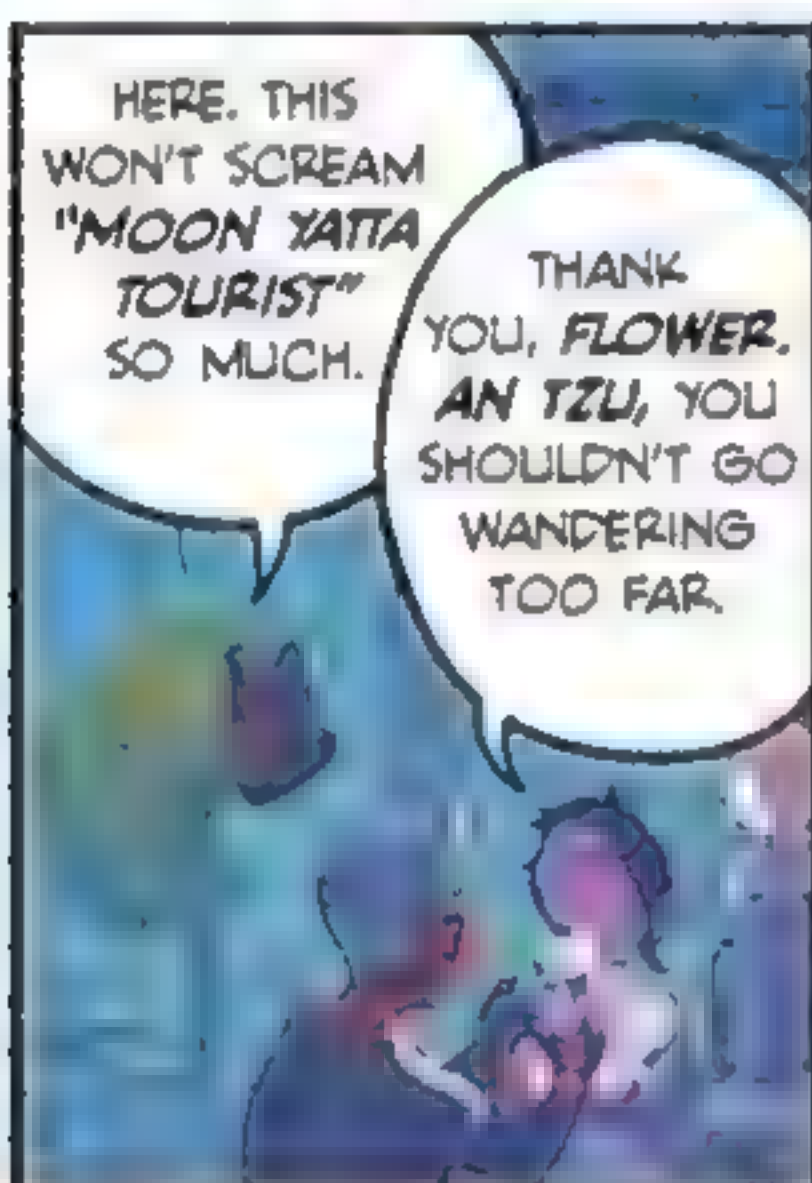


WHAT,
YOU'VE BEEN
SPYING ON
US?

HOW LONG
HAVE YOU
BEEN UP
THERE?



UM...
YOU'RE IN MY
BEDROOM.



HERE. THIS
WON'T SCREAM
"MOON YATTA
TOURIST"
SO MUCH.

THANK
YOU, FLOWER.
AN TZU, YOU
SHOULDN'T GO
WANDERING
TOO FAR.



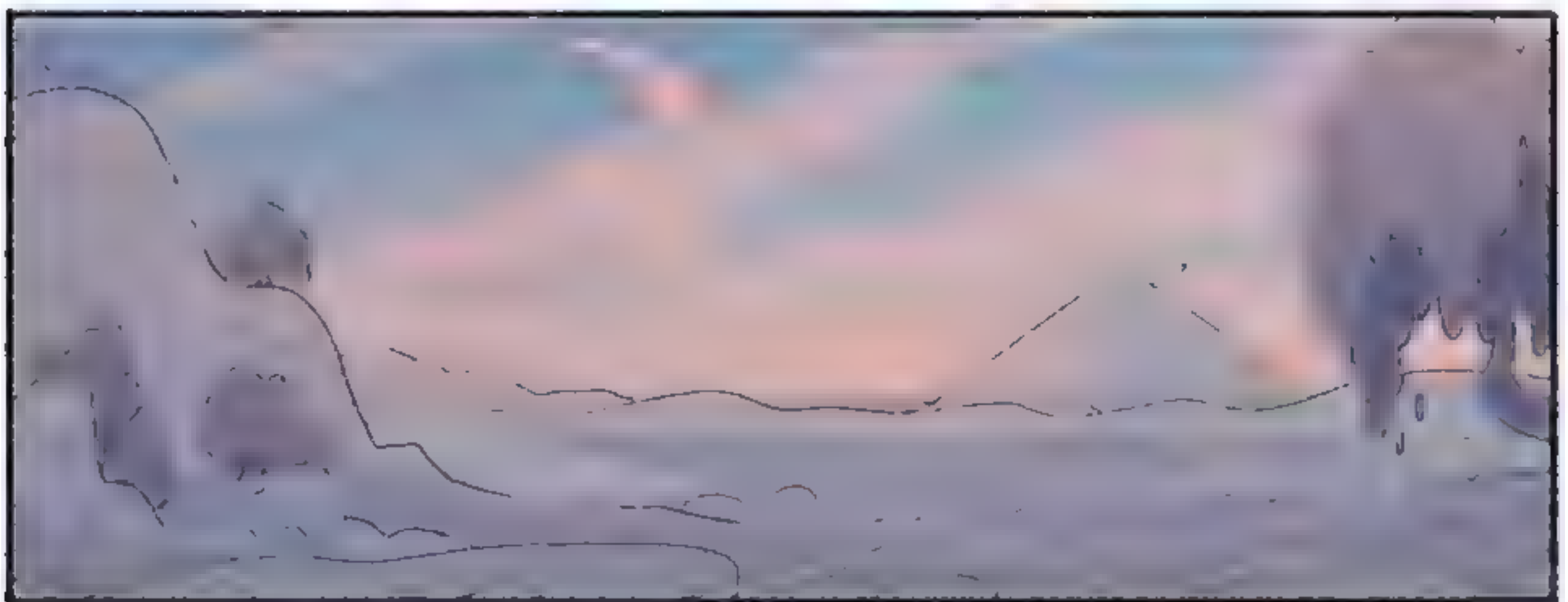
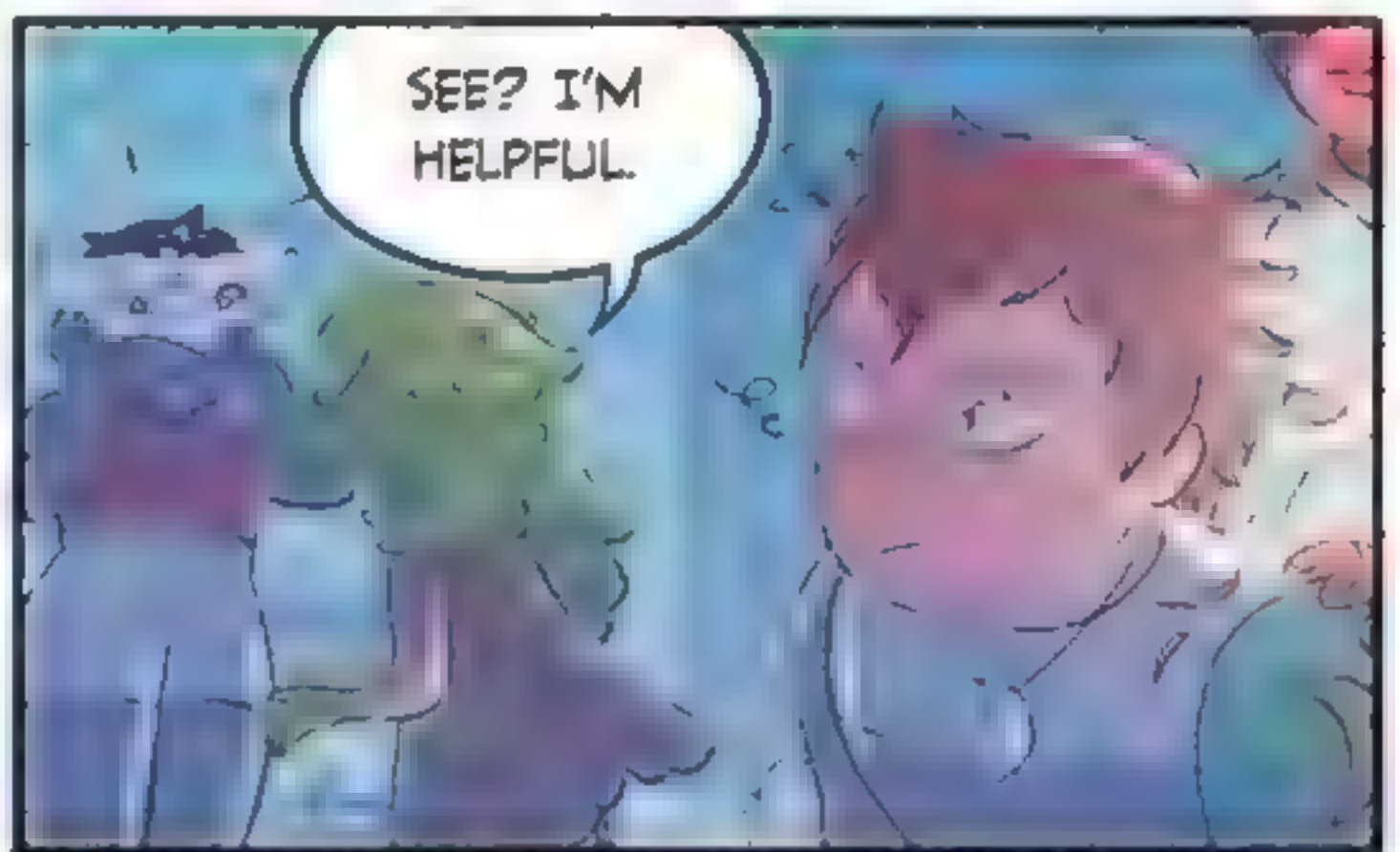
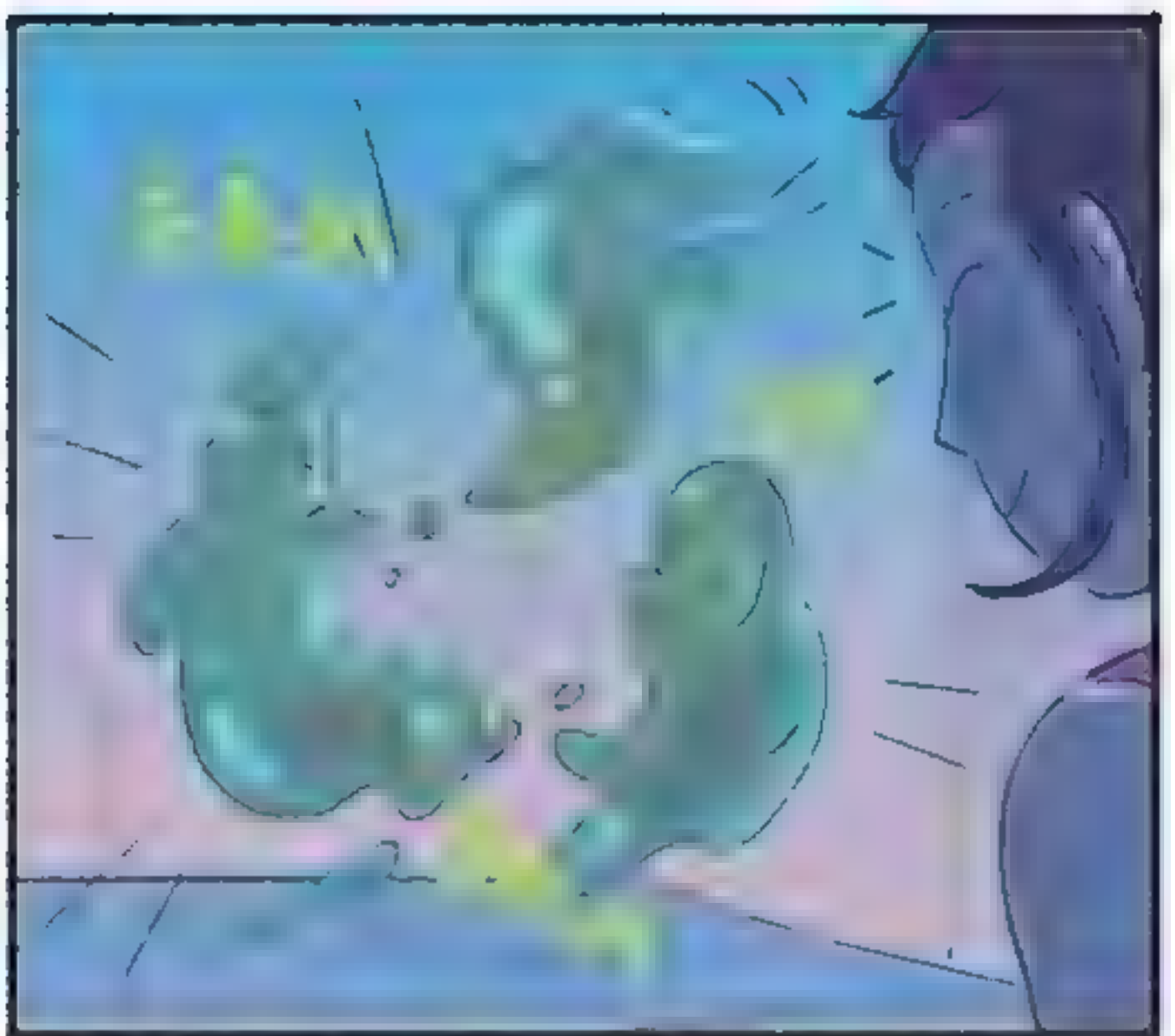
I'LL TAKE CARE
OF HIM! AND
I CAN HELP!

UGH, WE
DON'T NEED
HELP.



HUH!

WE'LL ASK
PLANT PEOPLE
ABOUT THE
ANTHEM, TOO.

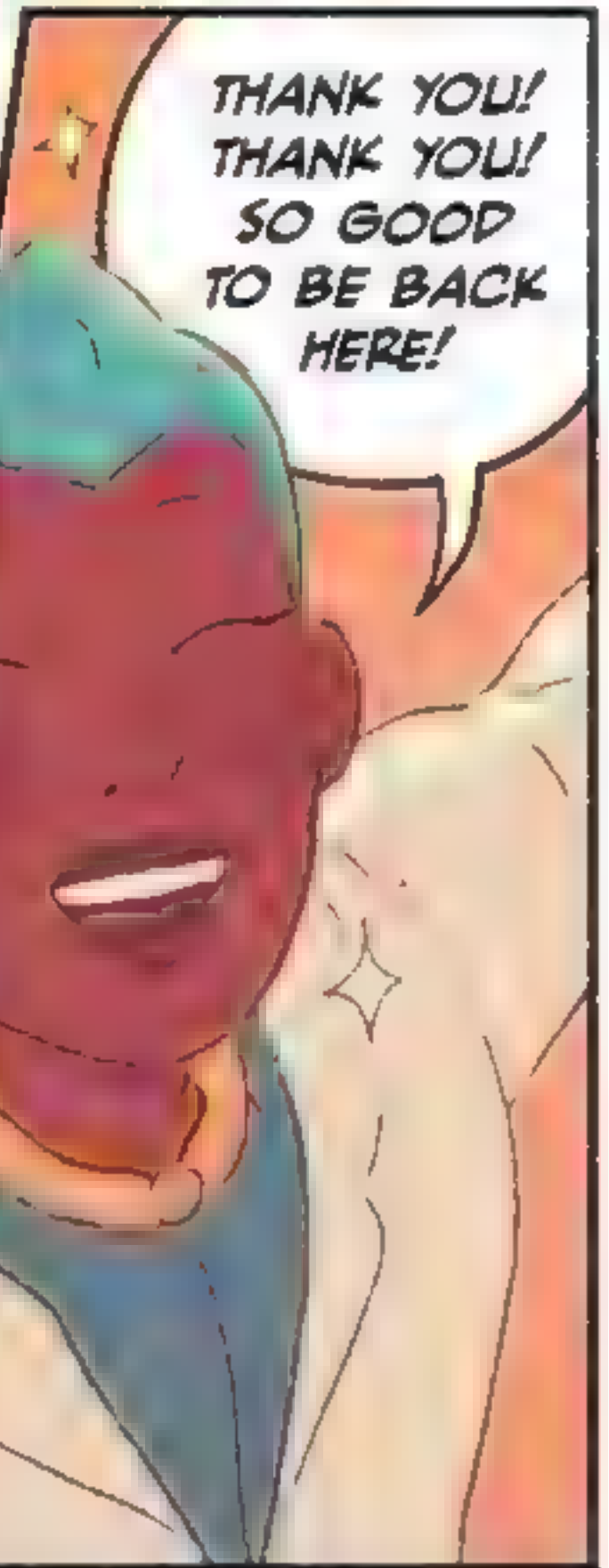
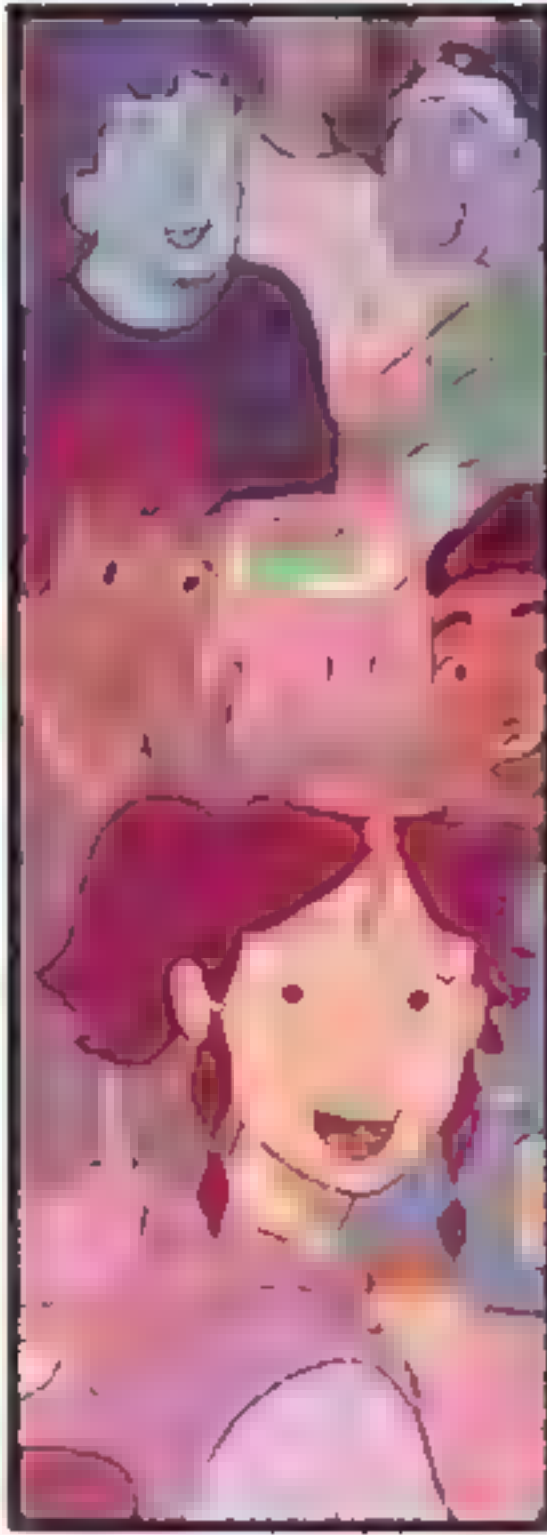
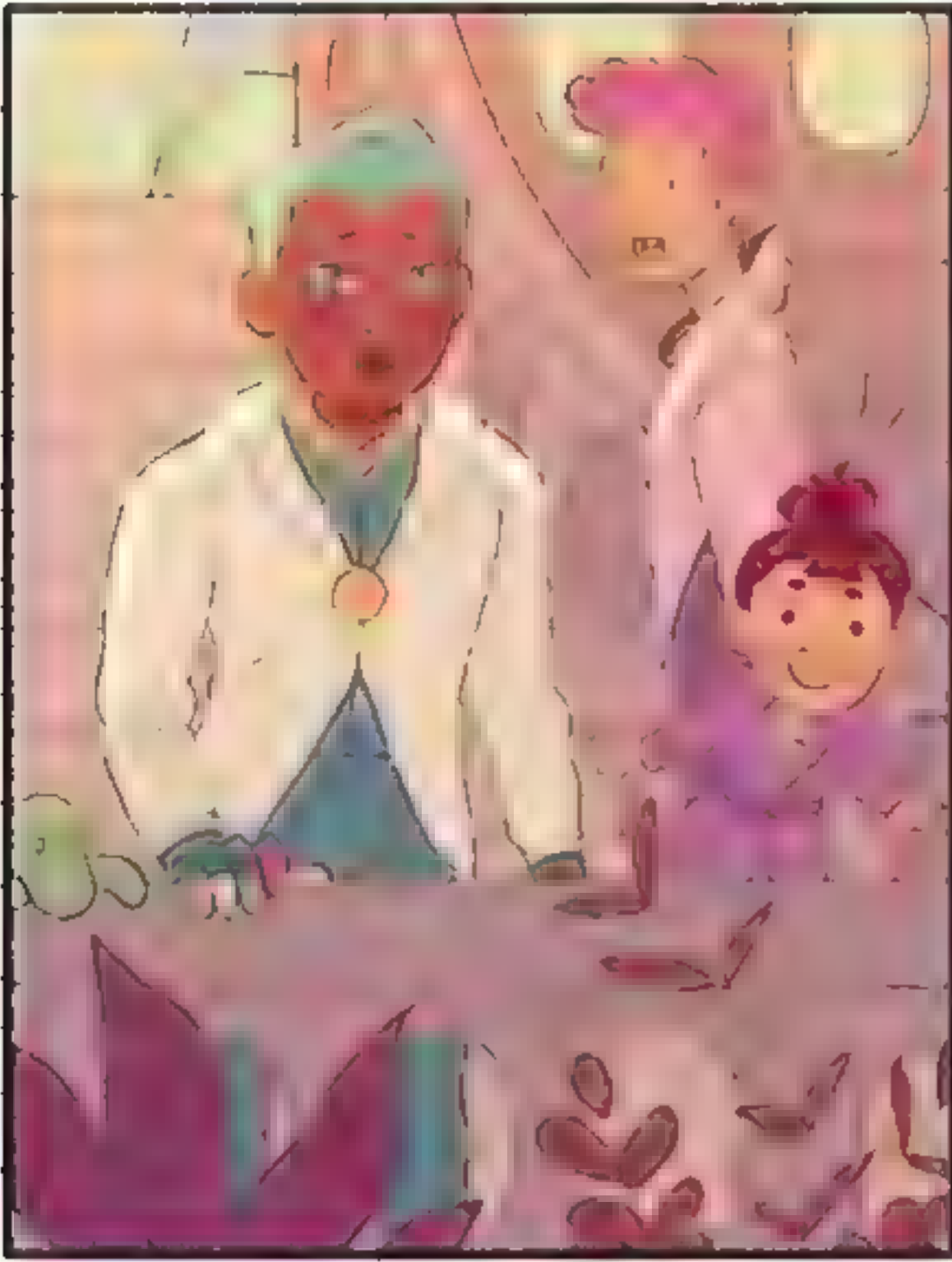
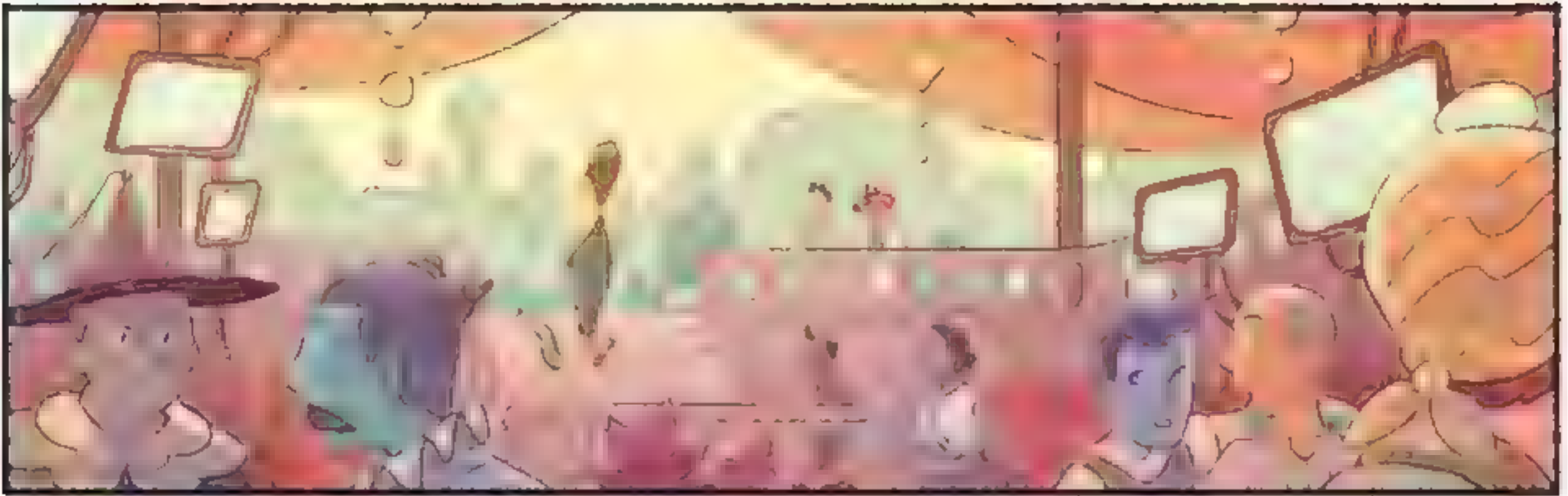




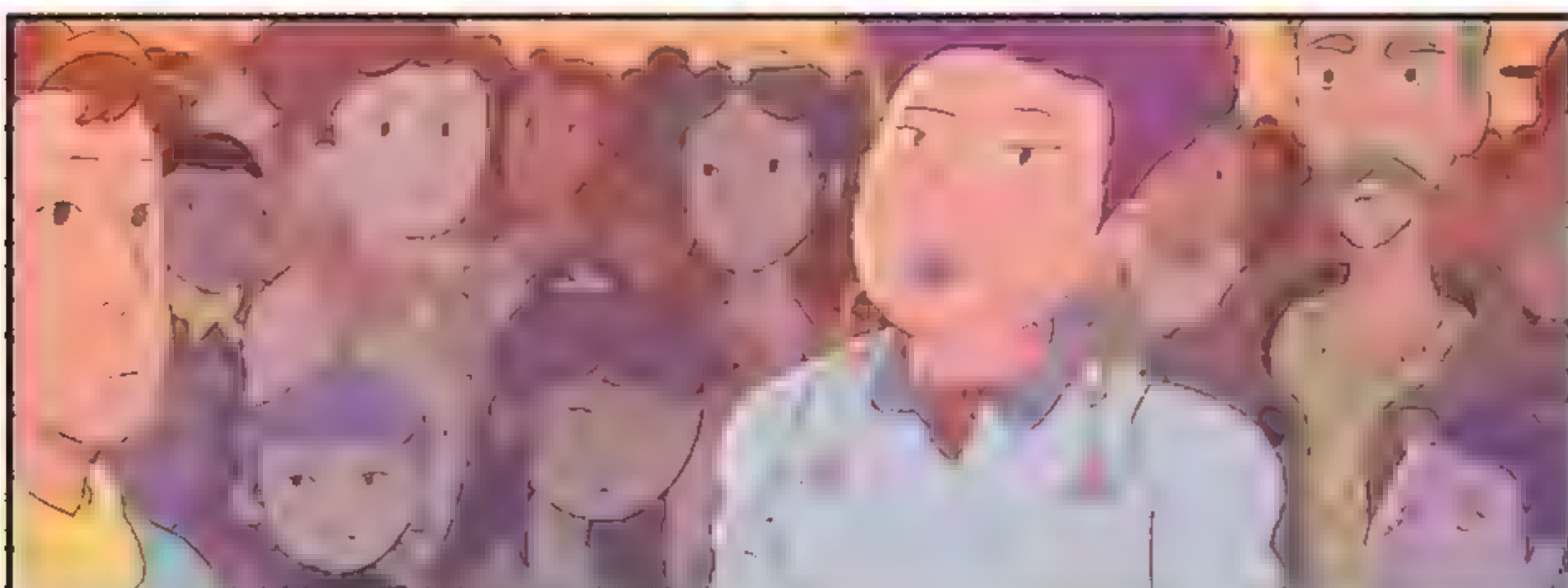
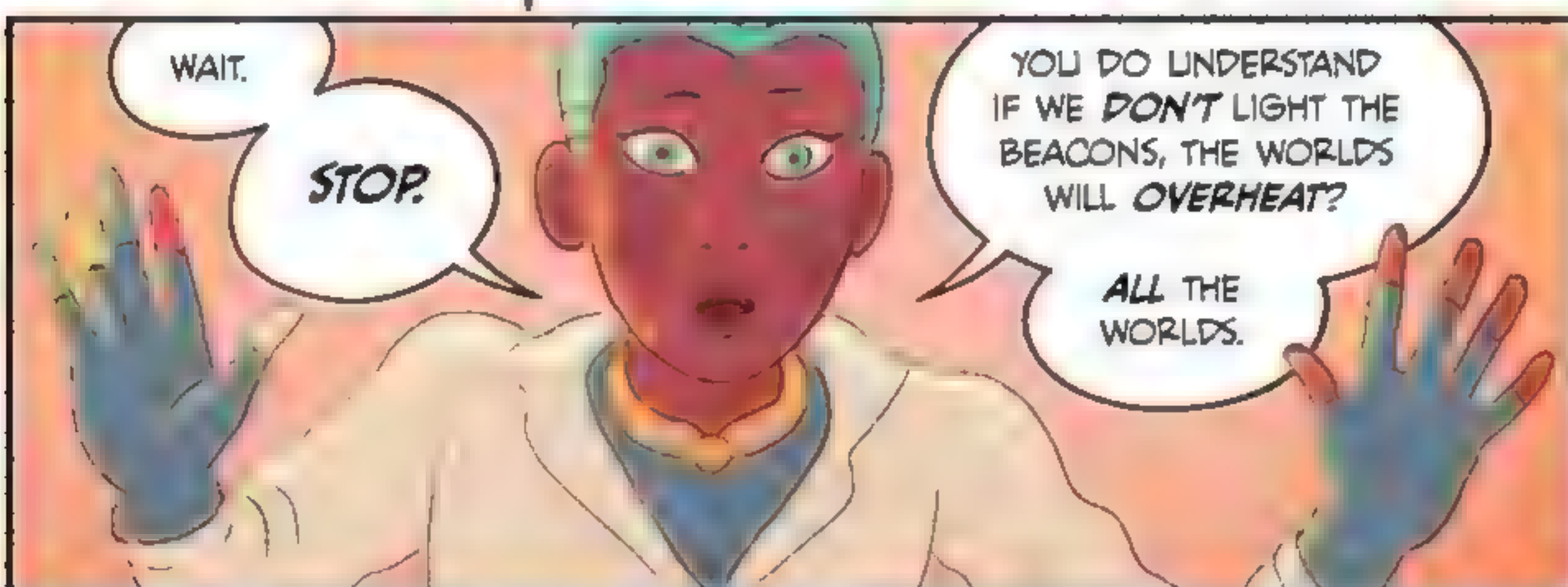
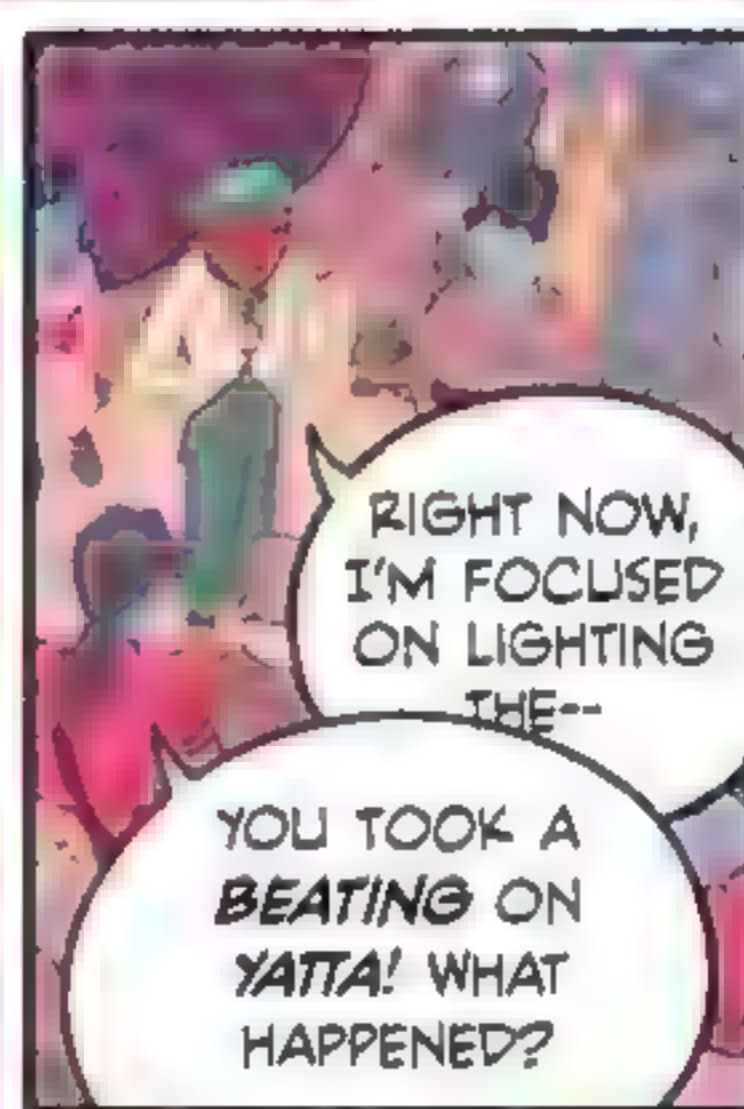


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THE AVIARY



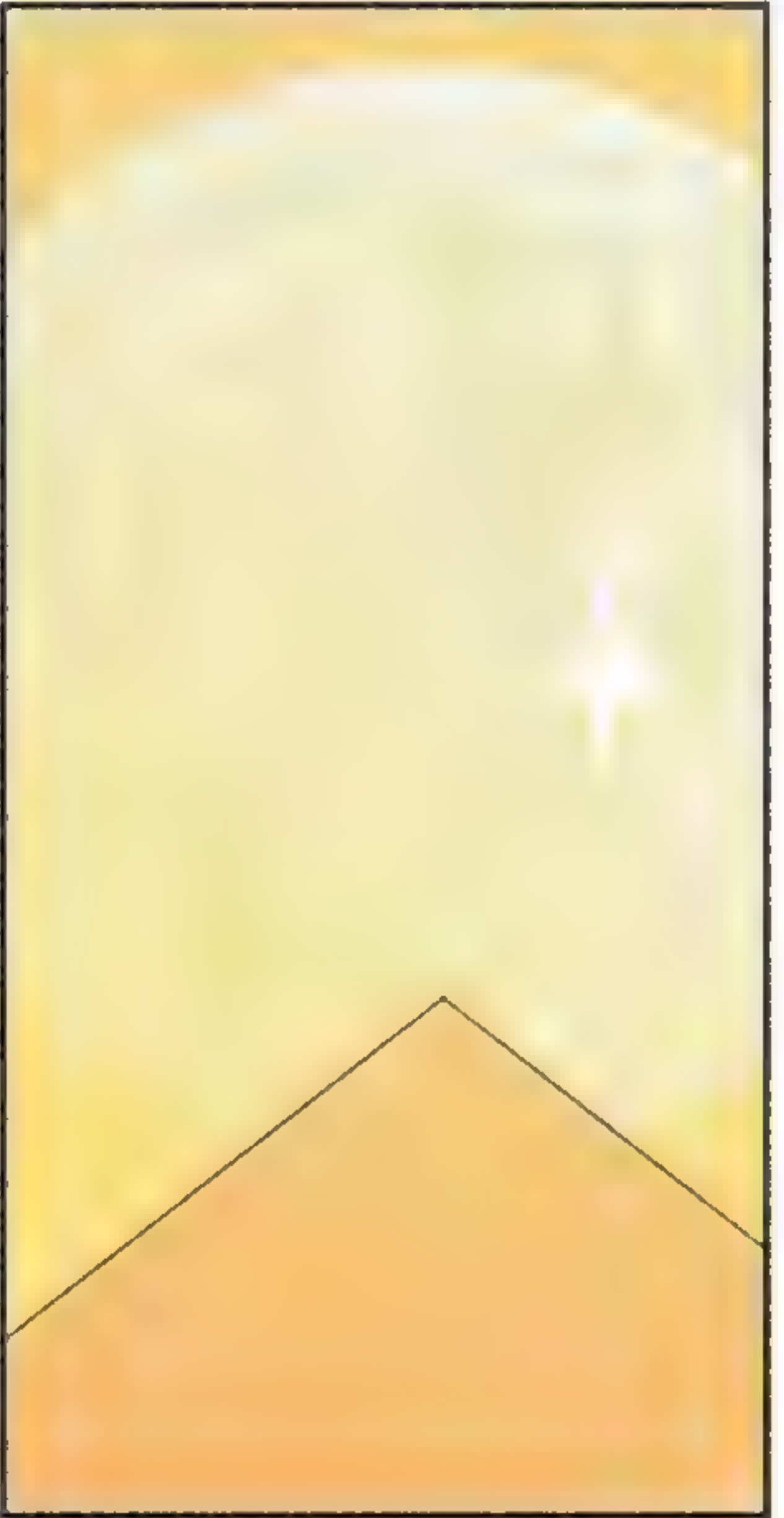
THANK YOU!
THANK YOU!
SO GOOD
TO BE BACK
HERE!

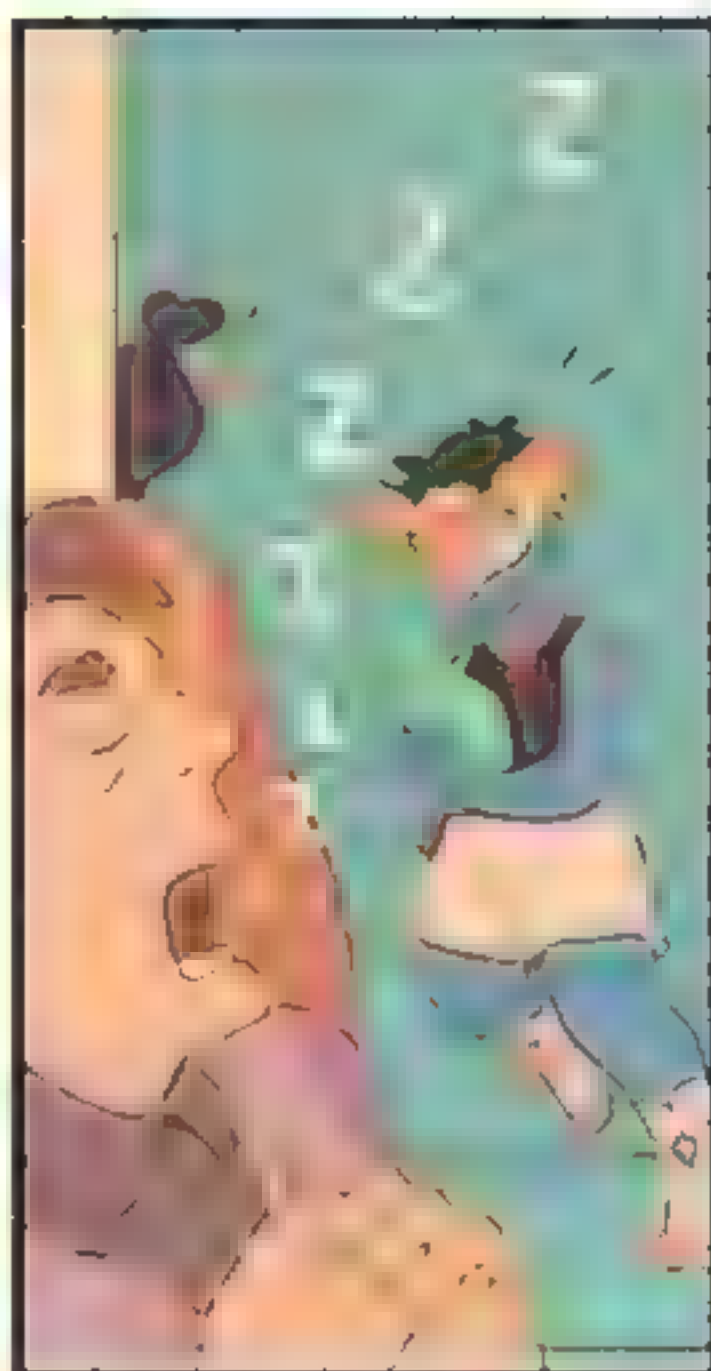




MEANWHILE...





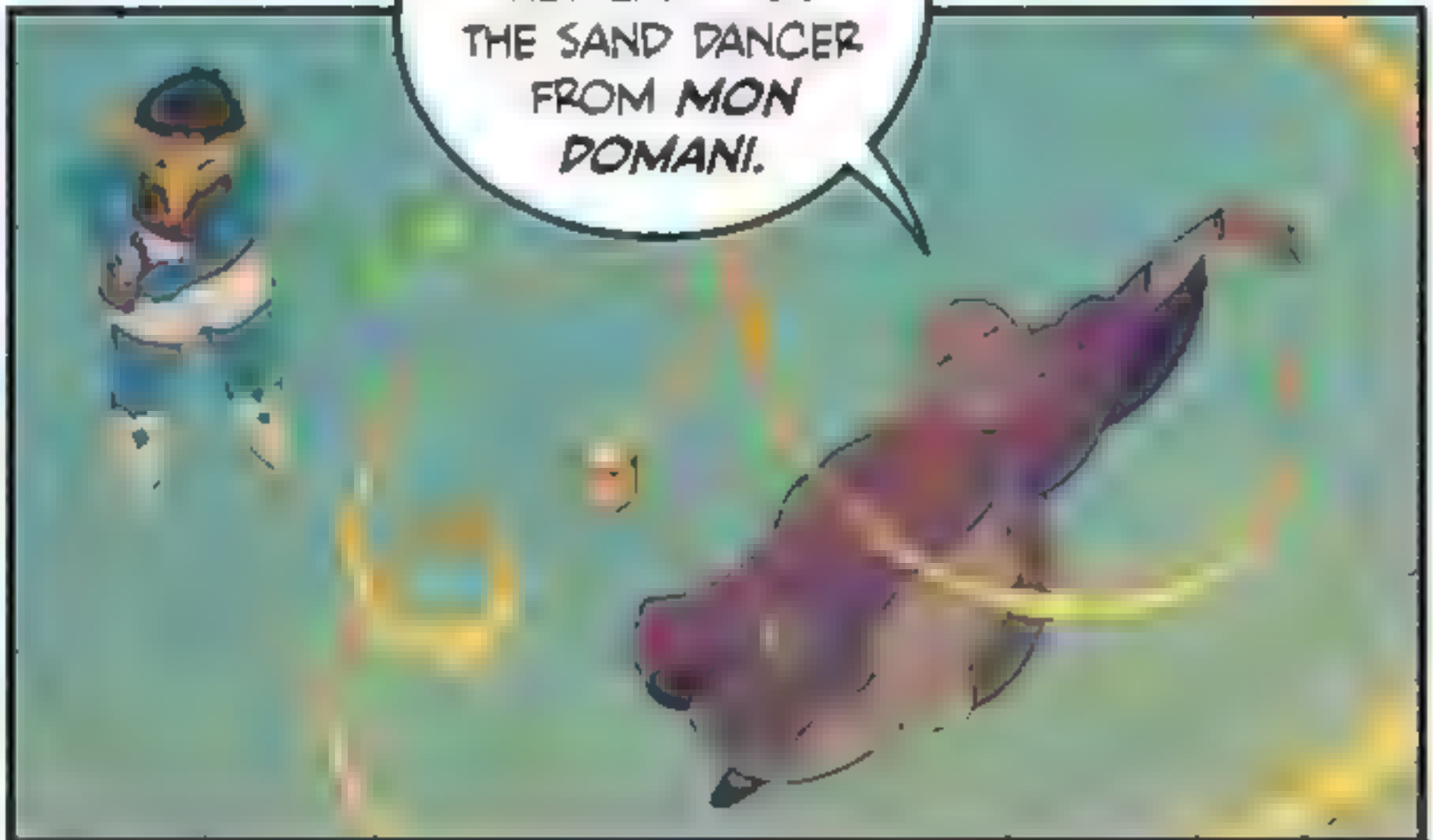


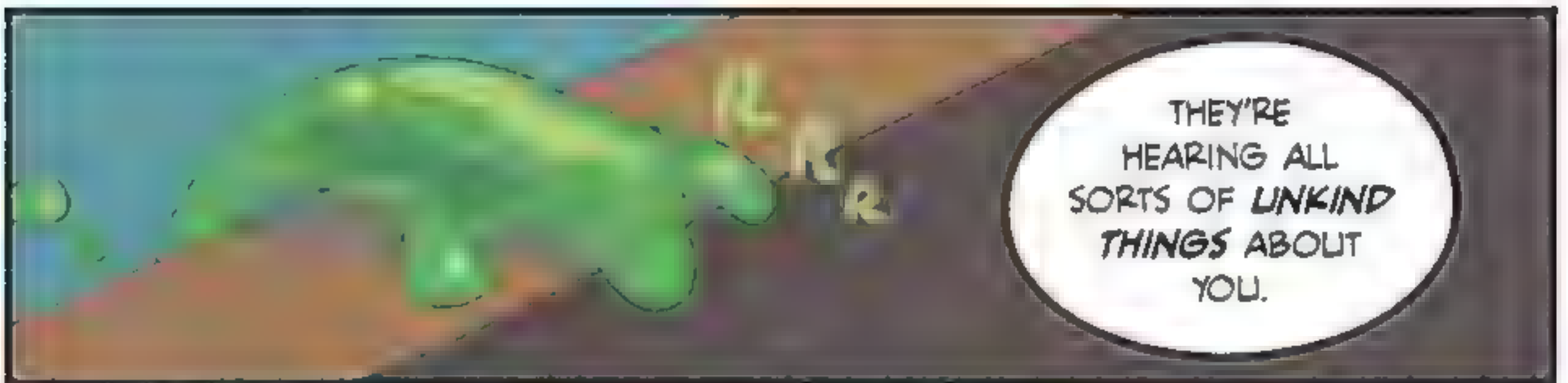


WOW,
THERE THEY
ARE! THOSE
GLYPHS WERE
REVEALED ONLY
YESTERDAY!

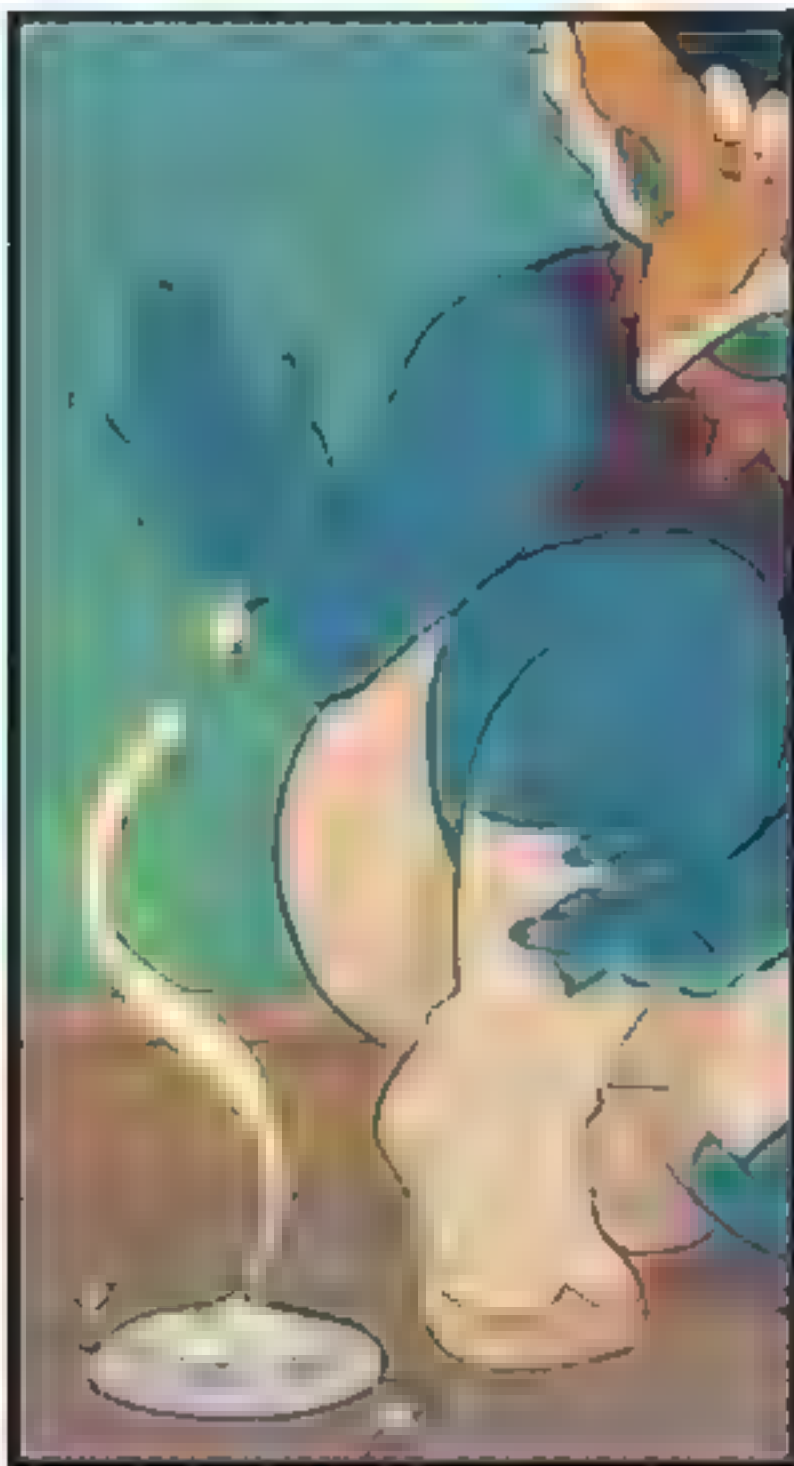


PEOPLE
ARE NOT SLURE
THEY CAN TRUST
THE SAND DANCER
FROM MON
DOMANI.





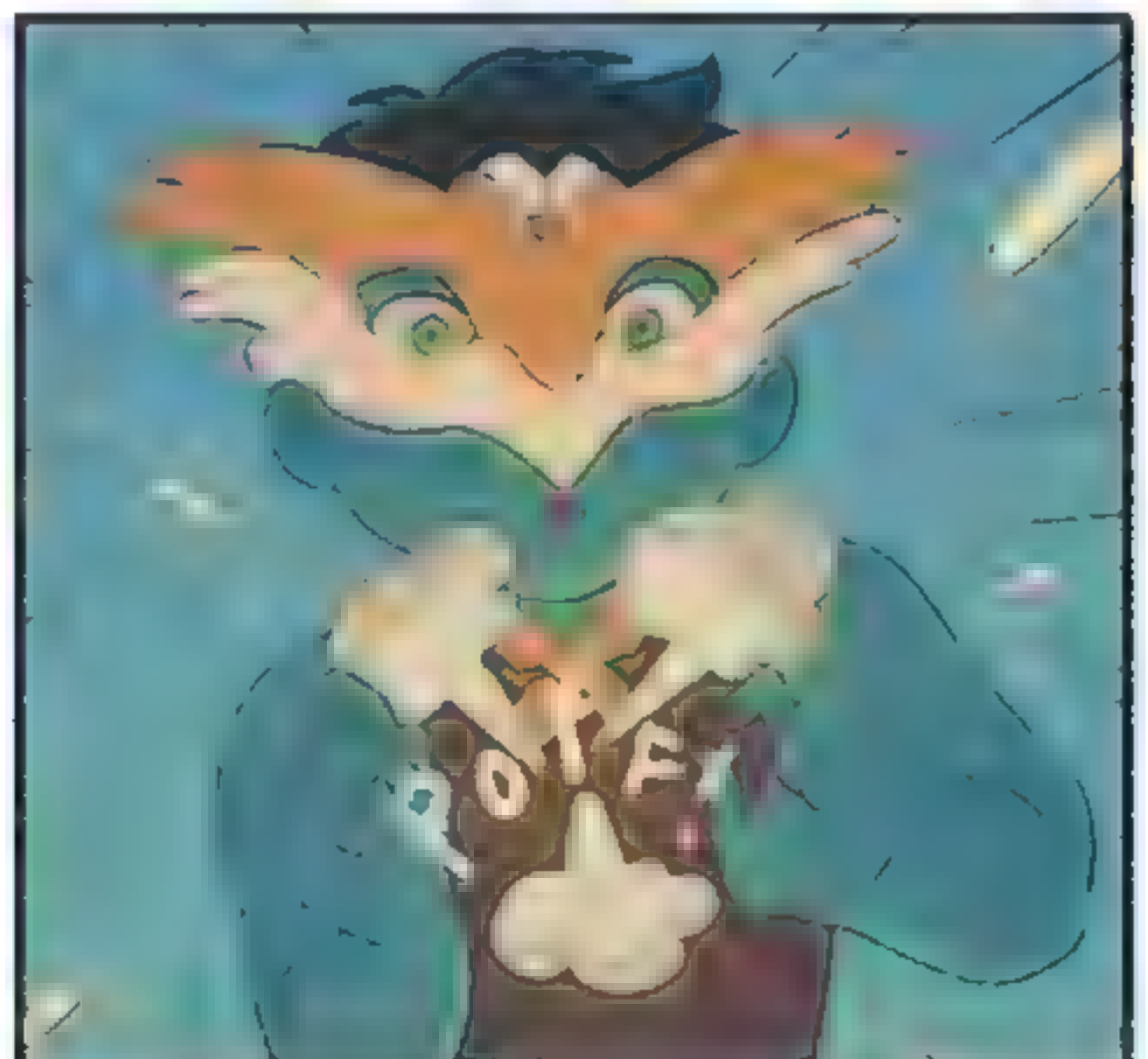
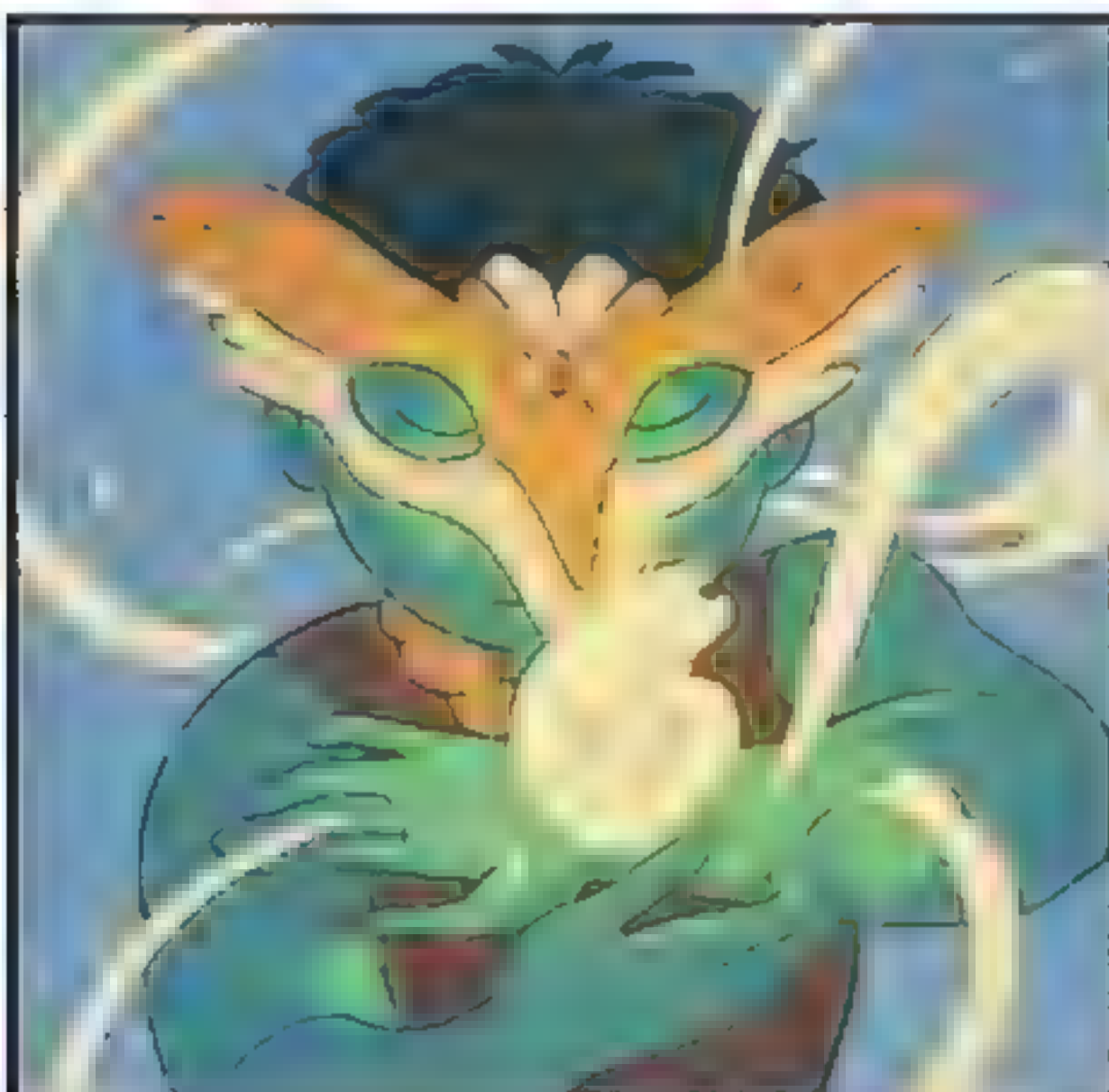
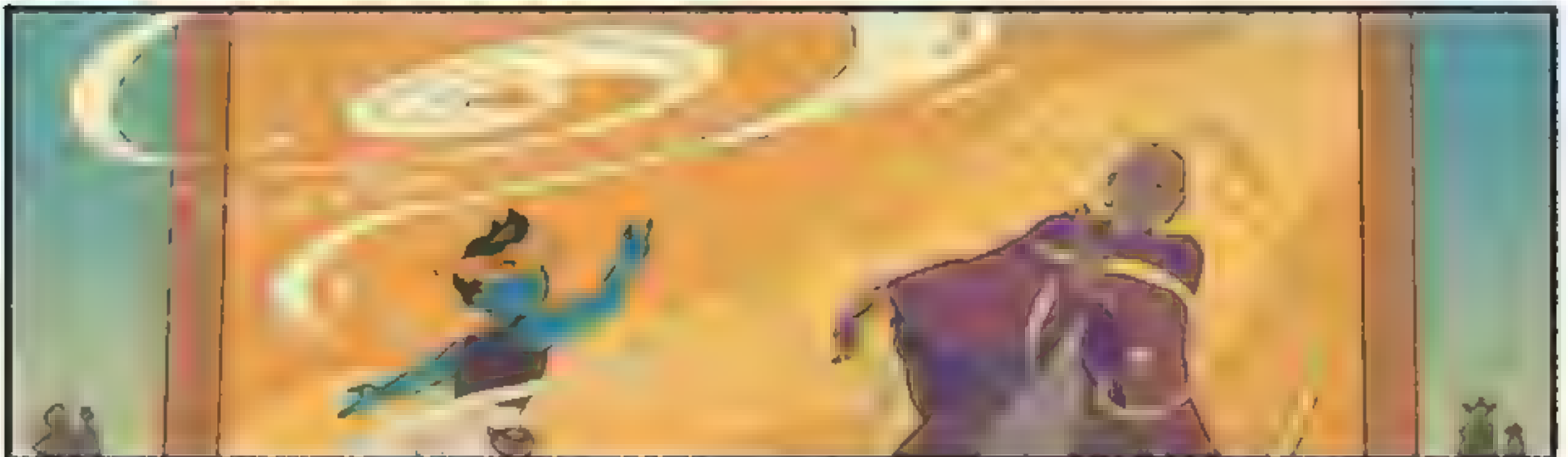
THEY'RE
HEARING ALL
SORTS OF *LINKIND*
THINGS ABOUT
YOU.

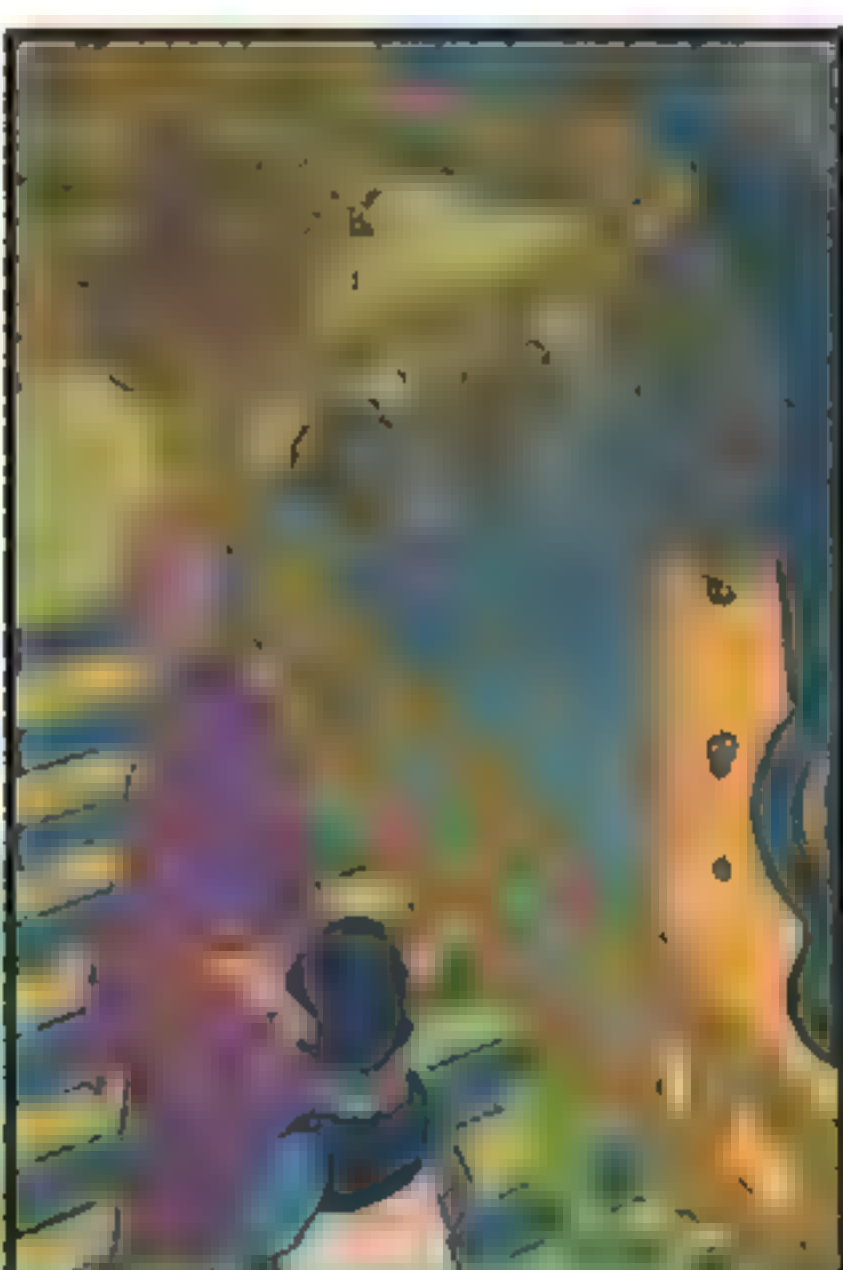
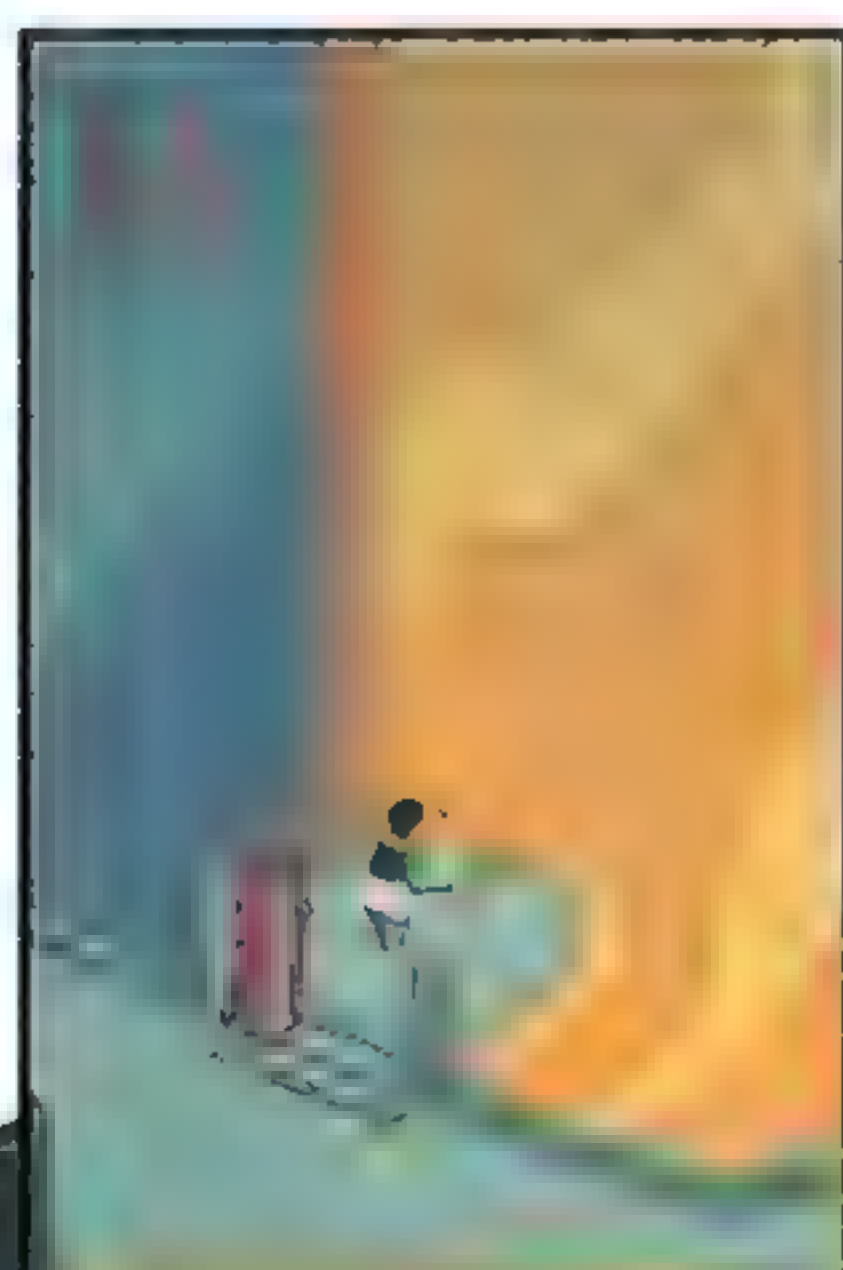


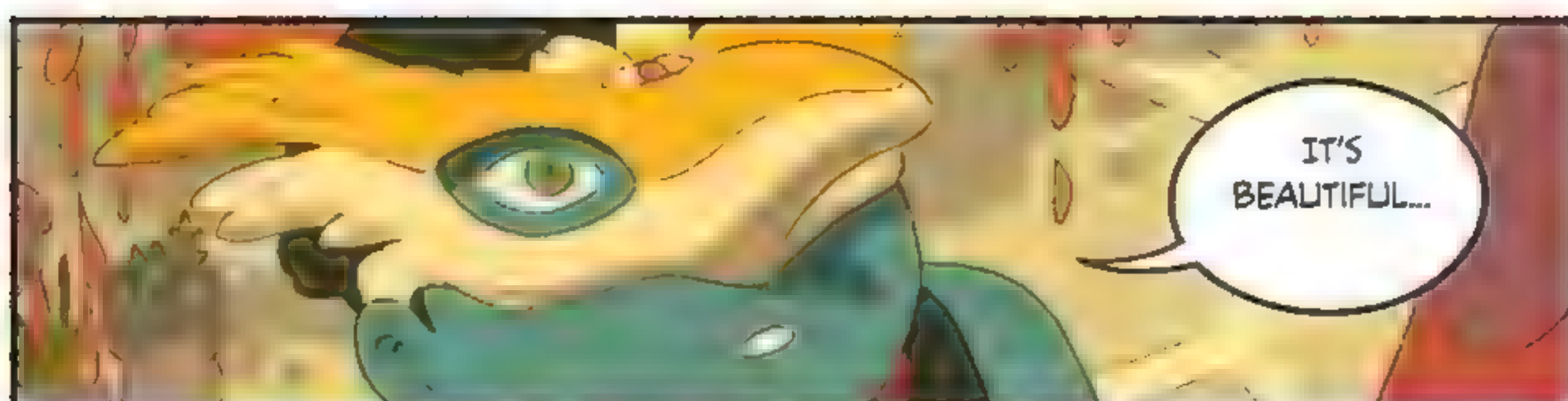
FROM THAT *PEET*
BOWL ON THE
CITIZEN FEEDS.



WHEREVER
THERE IS IGNORANCE,
THERE IS ALWAYS A *PEET*
BOWL FEEDING ON IT.
BUT WHERE THERE IS THE
LIVING FIRE, THINGS
ARE SHOWN FOR WHAT
THEY REALLY ARE.







IT'S
BEAUTIFUL...

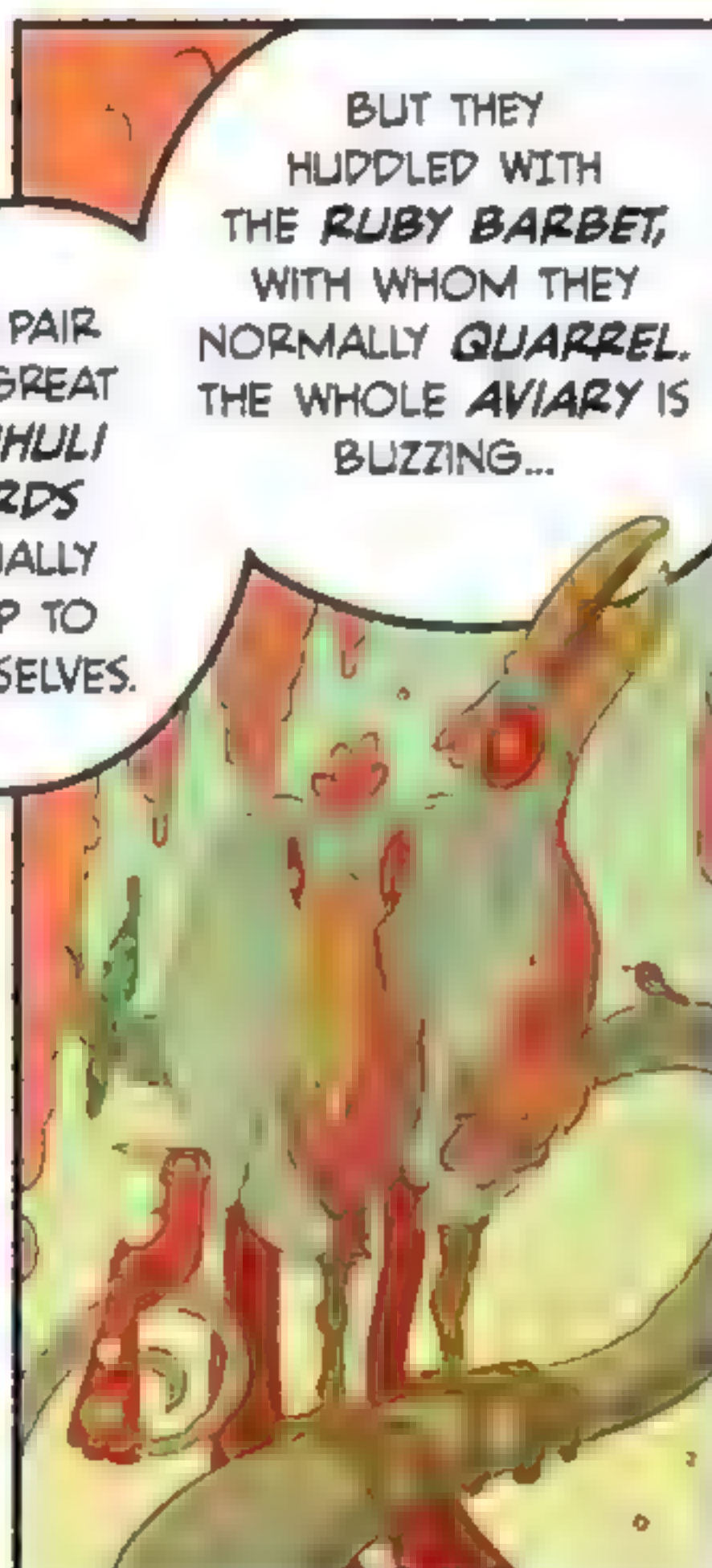


MY WINGED
FRIENDS TELL
ME SO MUCH.

THE **SAPPHIRE
SPARROW** IS
TRILLING ITS
HIGH ALERT. IT
SENSES DANGER,
A CHANGE IN THE
BALANCE OF OUR
WORLD.



THE PAIR
OF GREAT
**PTUHULI
BIRDS**
USUALLY
KEEP TO
THEMSELVES.

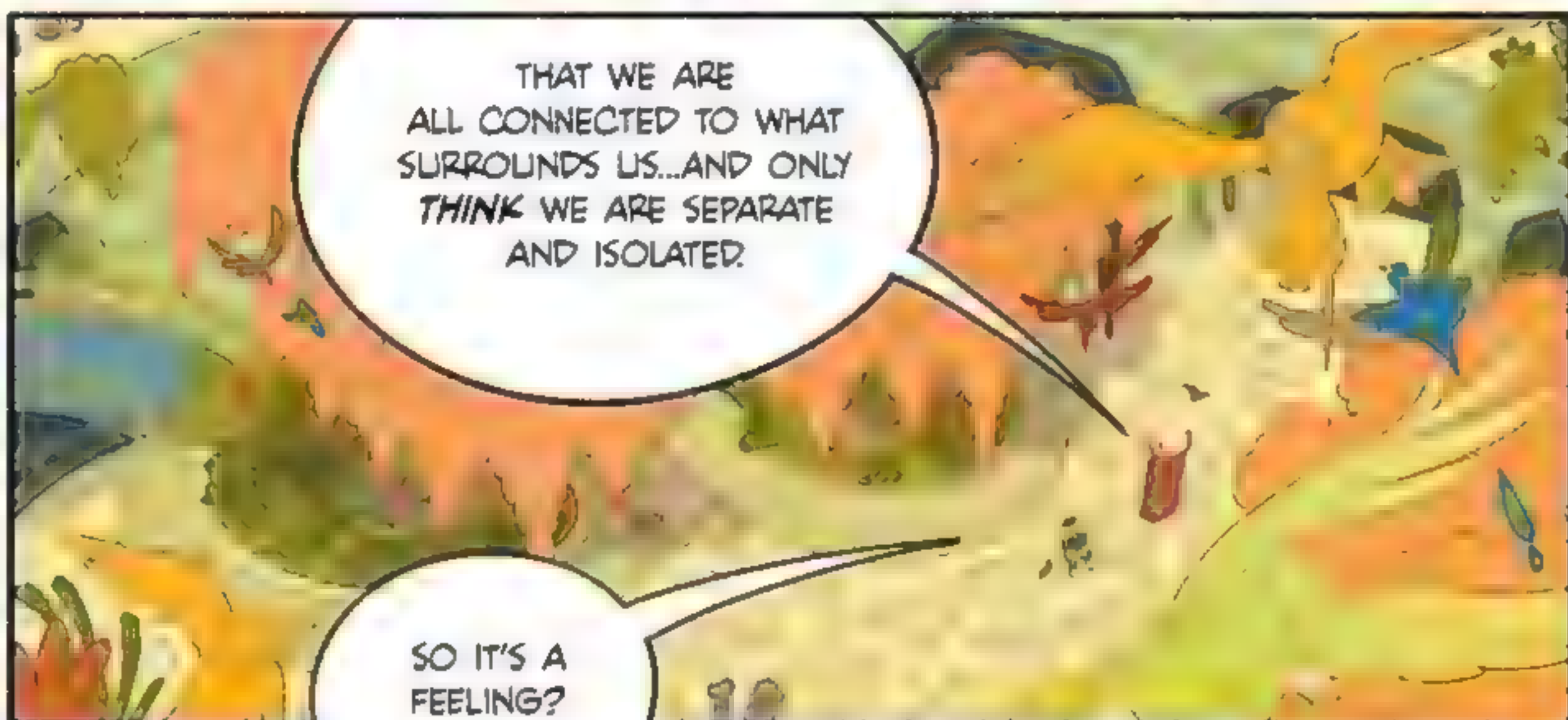


BUT THEY
HUDDLED WITH
THE **RUBY BARBET**,
WITH WHOM THEY
NORMALLY **QUARREL**.
THE WHOLE **AVIARY** IS
BUZZING...



...IN ANTICIPATION OF
IMPORTANT EVENTS,
BUT FEARFUL OF
HOW THEY WILL
TURN OUT.

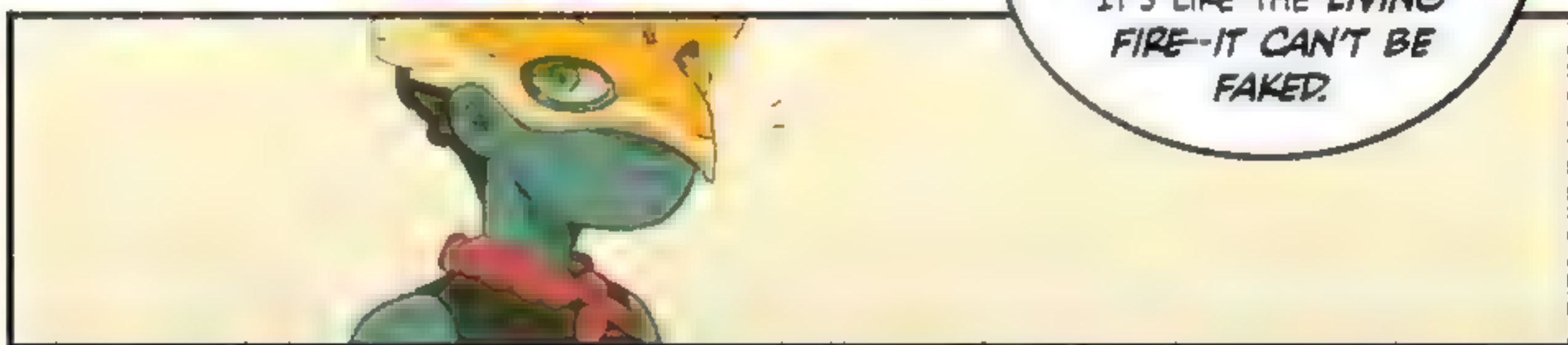
HOW...
?!





**WISHFUL
THINKING** OF
THE DESPERATE...
EXPLOITED BY THE
UNSCRUPULOUS.

BELIEF IS BORN
OF KNOWLEDGE THAT
YOU'VE JOINED WITH THE
WHOLE OF YOURSELF
IT'S LIKE THE **LIVING
FIRE**--IT CAN'T BE
FAKED.







SHE IS REAL SHE
IS WHAT WE'VE ALL
BEEN GUARDING THE
BEACON FOR.

WHAT DOES
SHE *NEED*?



I NEED TO
LEARN THE
*ANCIENT
AMBER
ANTHEM!*
WHO KNOWS
IT?

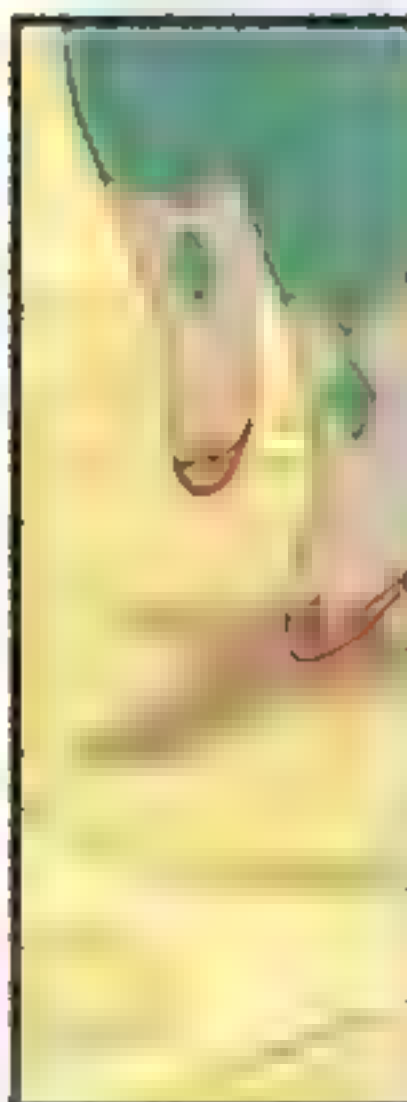


WHAT ABOUT THE
SINGING WEAVERS?
HAS SHE ASKED
THEM?

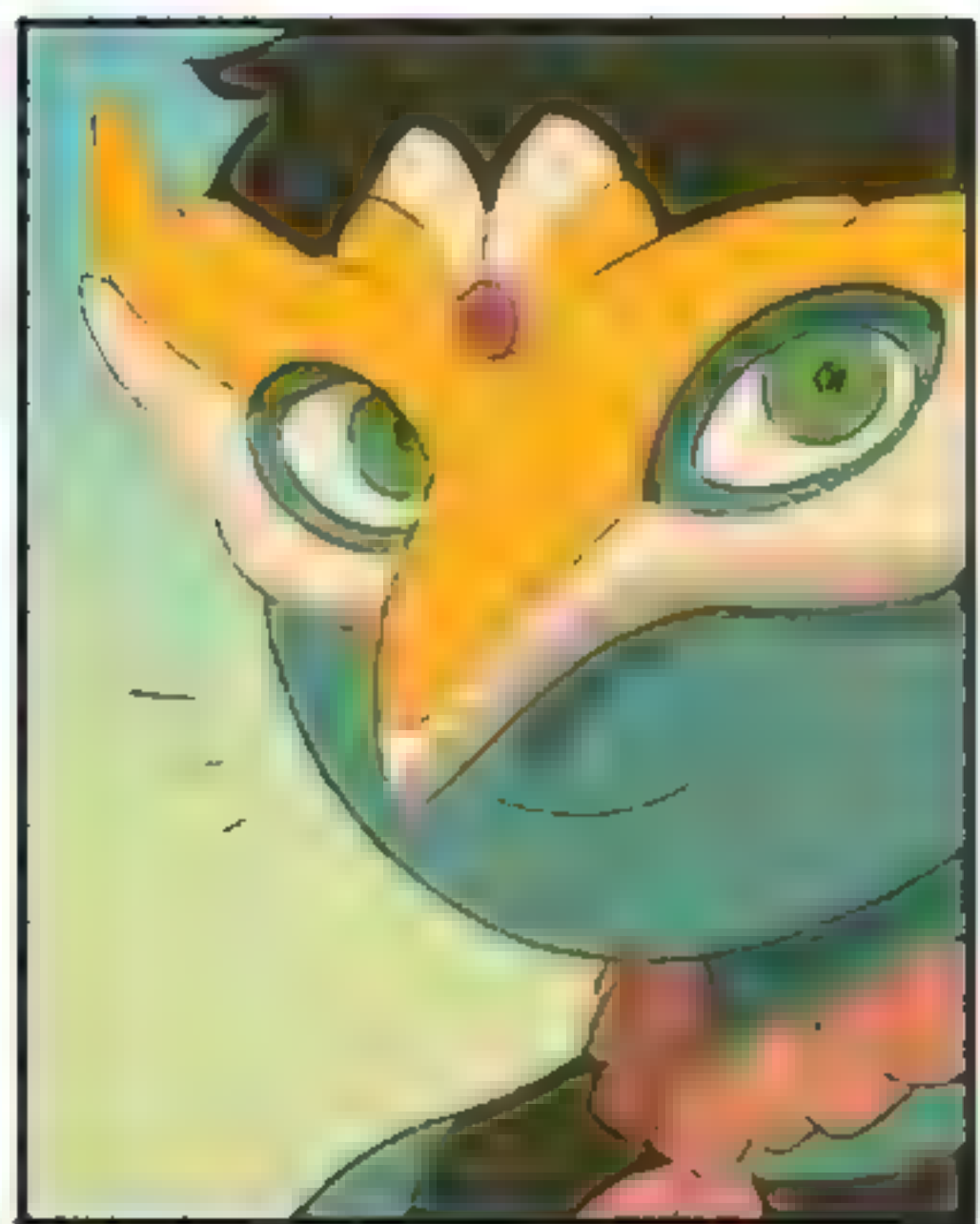
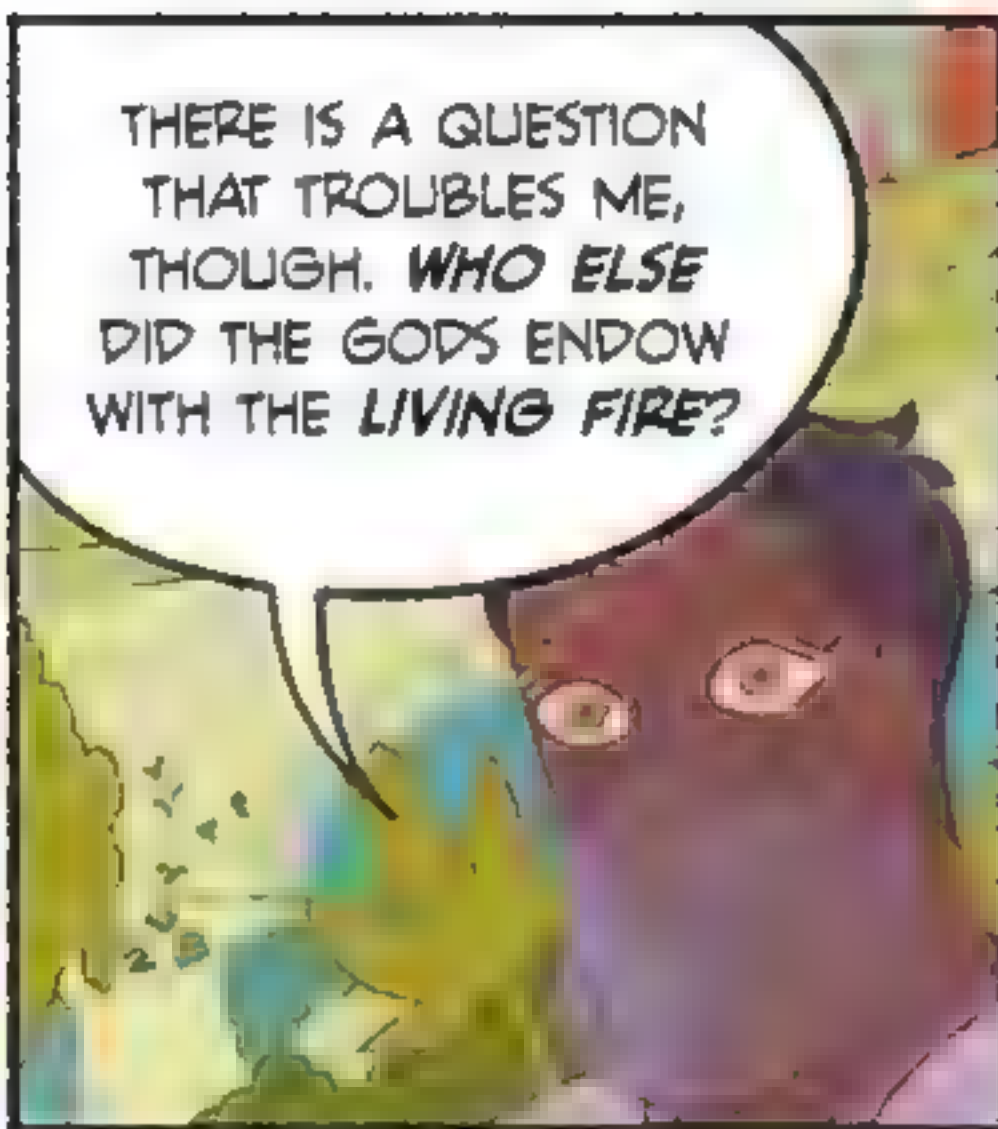
HM. NOT A
BAD IDEA THEY
MOVE AROUND,
THOUGH. THEY
COULD BE
ANYWHERE.



I SAW THEM
AT *GOLDEN
GROVE* LAST.
I COULD TAKE
HER THERE.



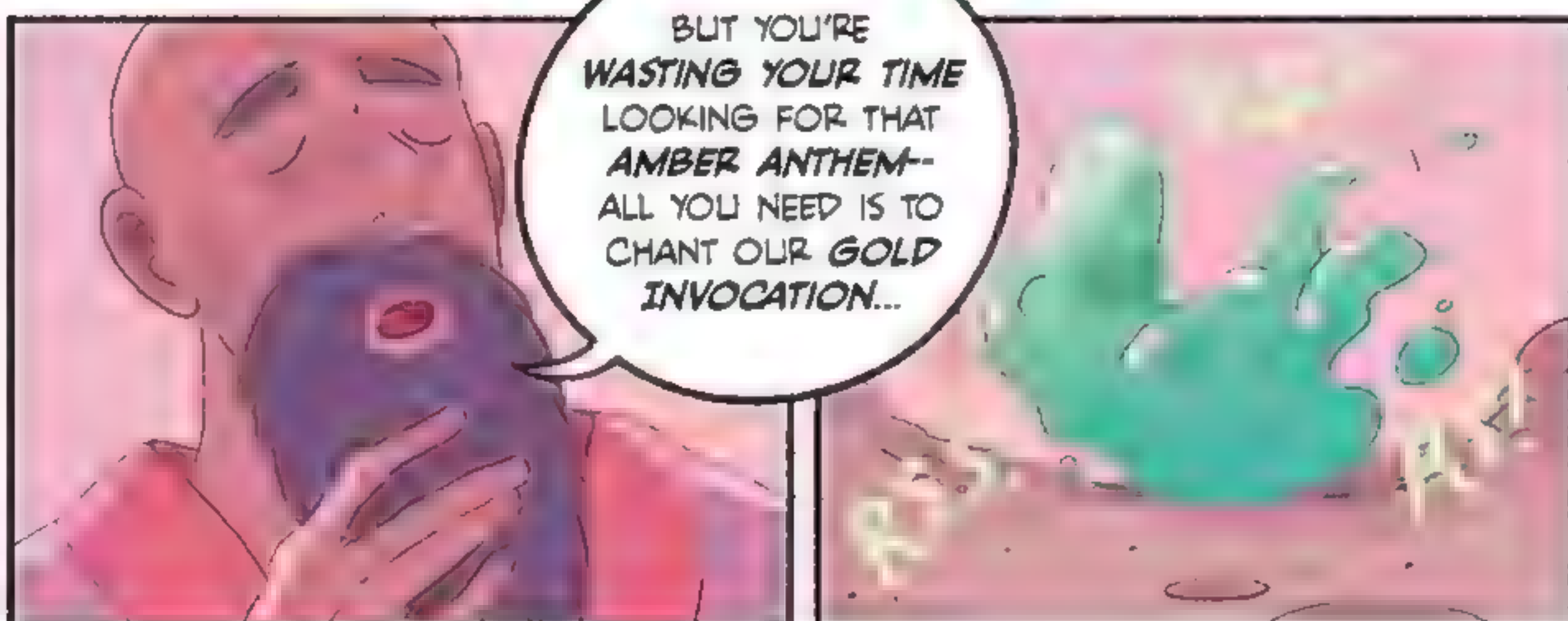
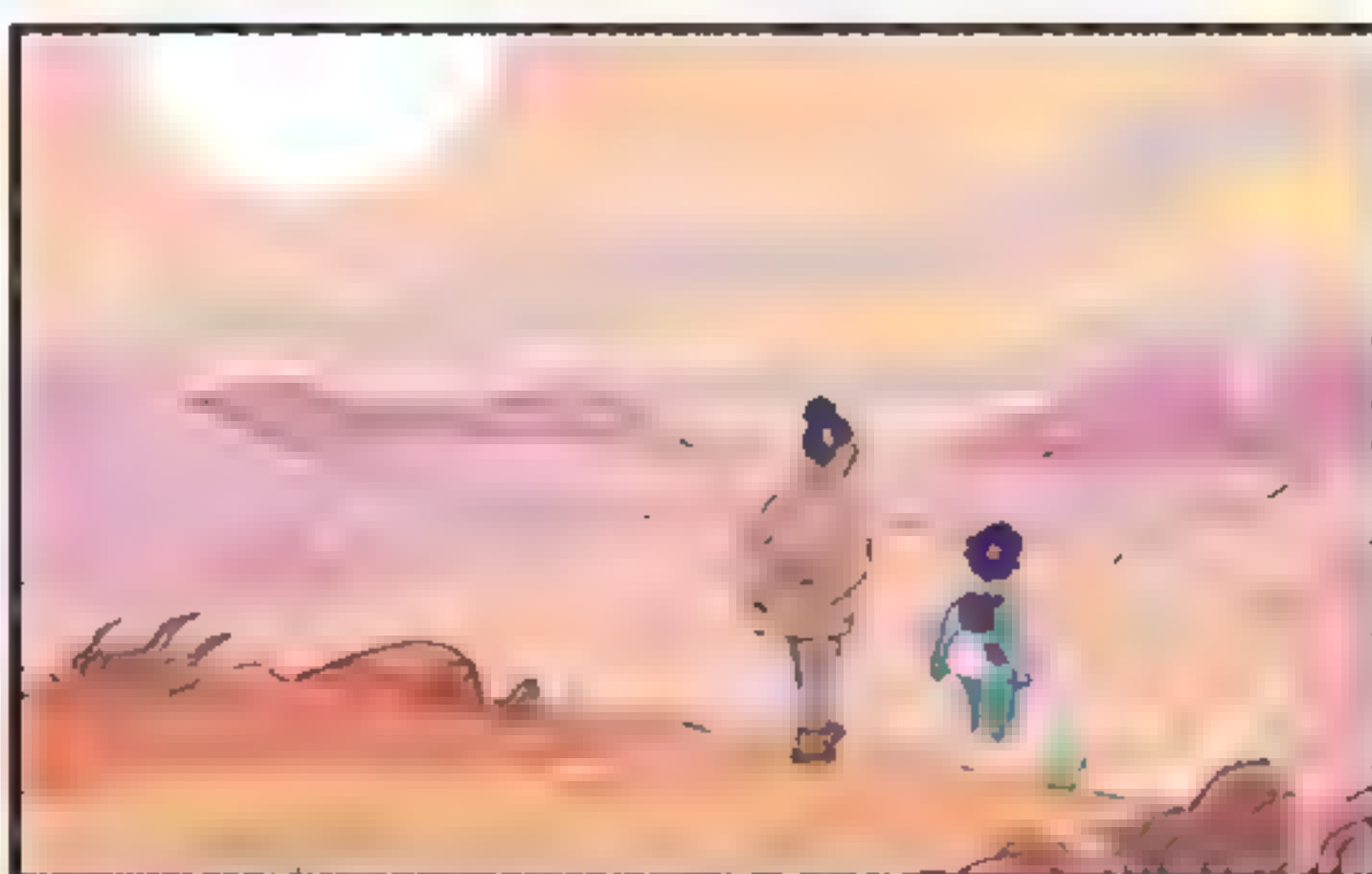
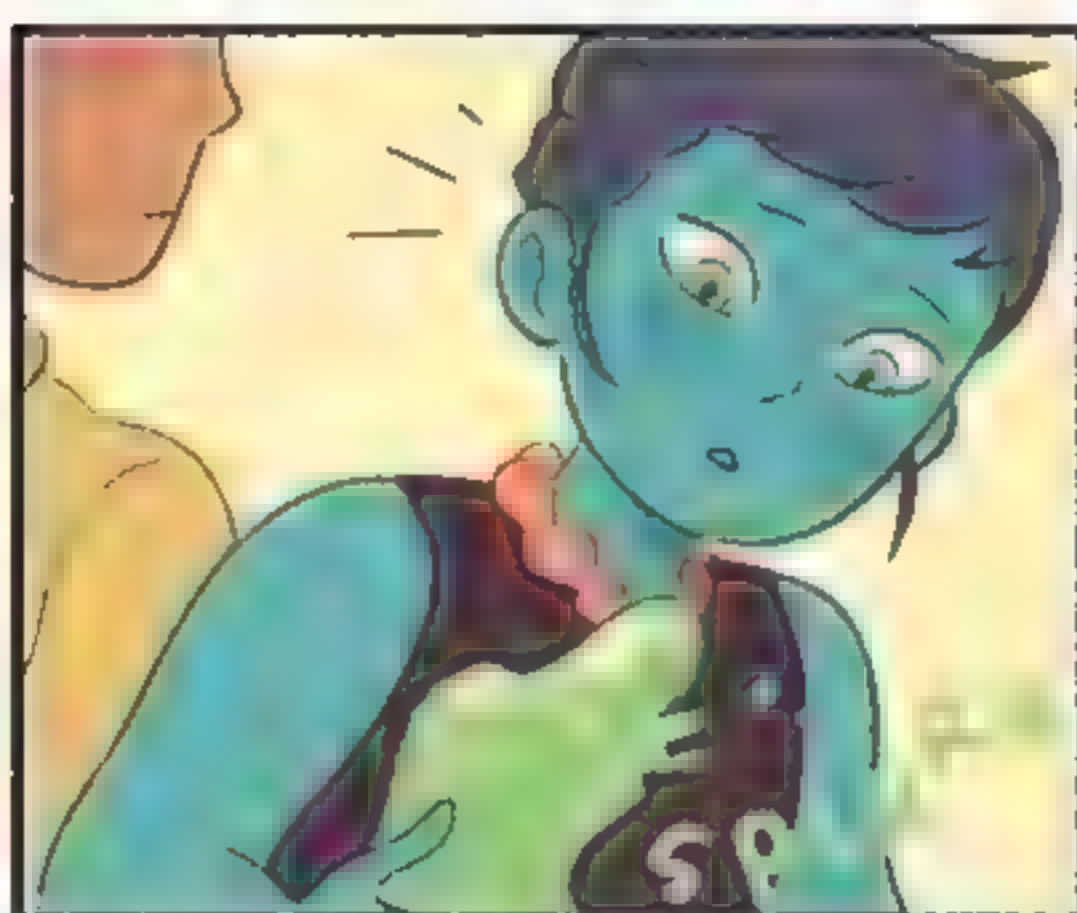
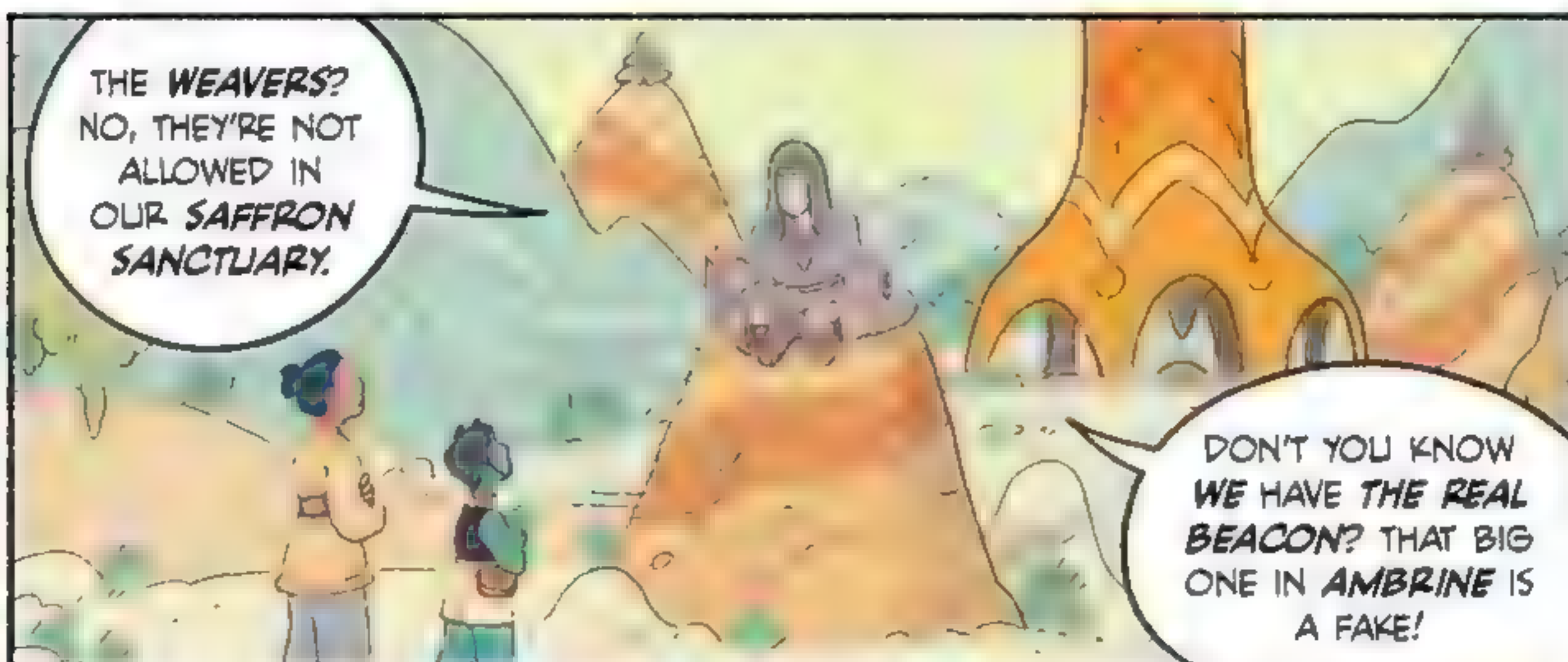
THANK
YOU. I'LL
TAKE YOU
UP ON
THAT.

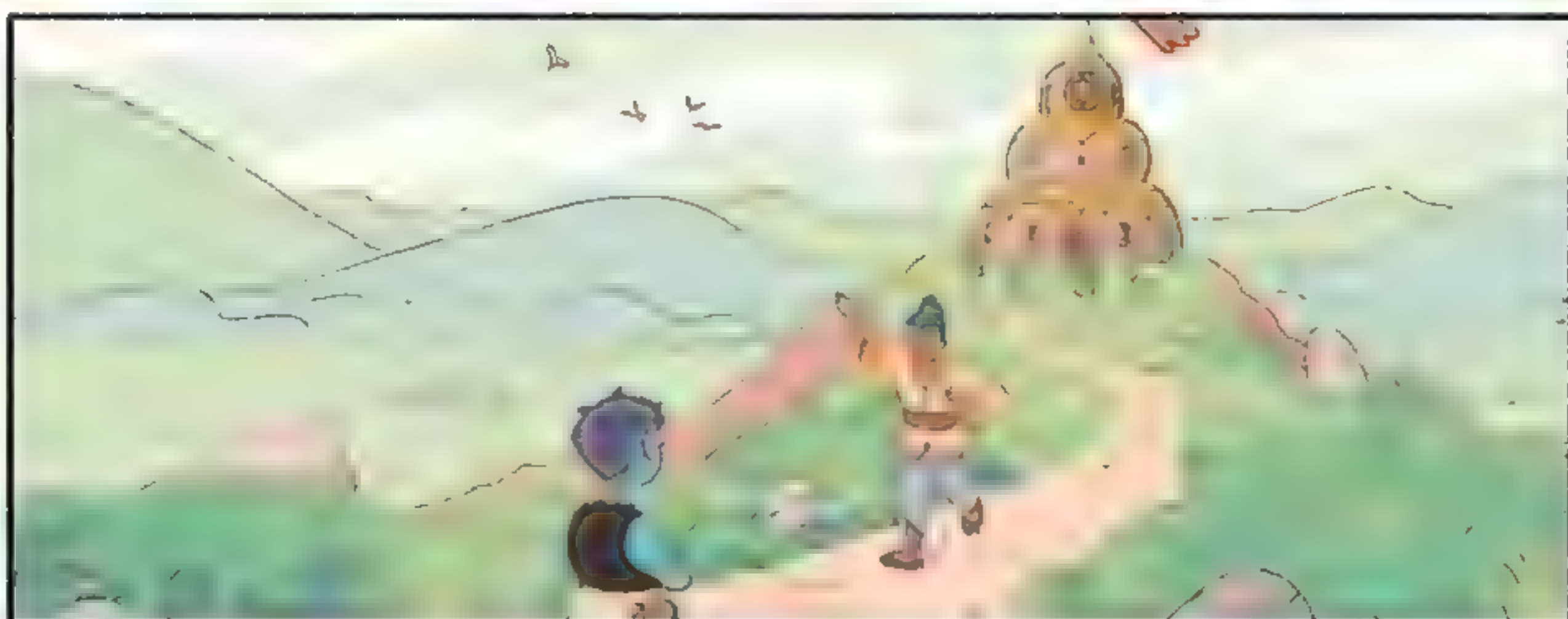
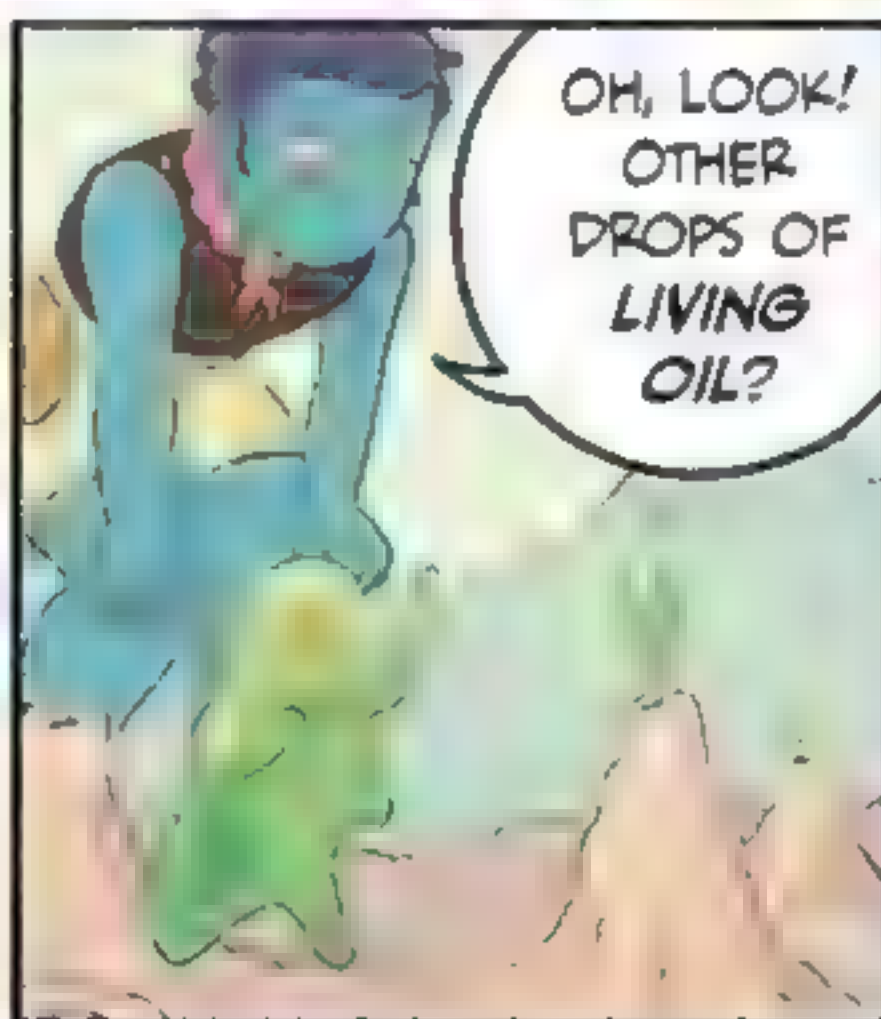


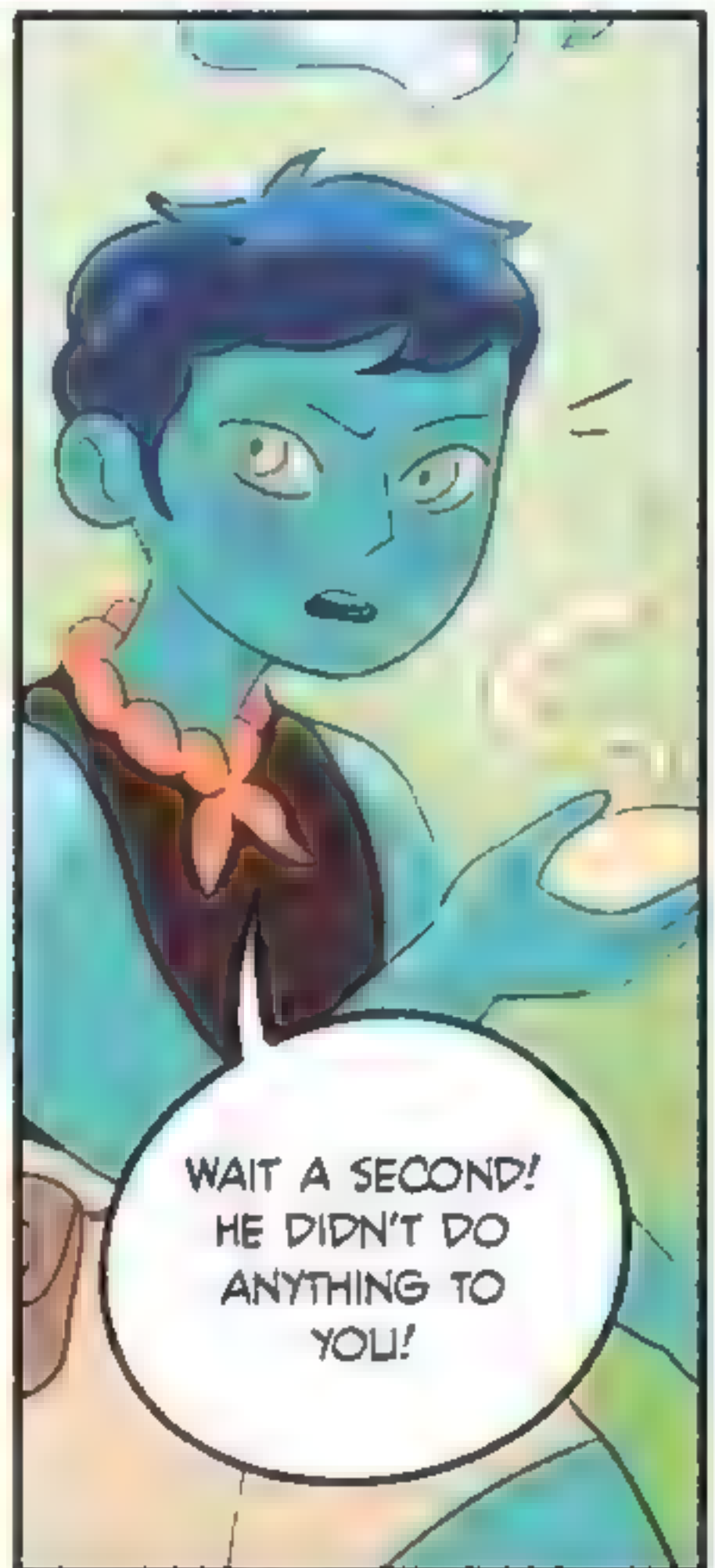
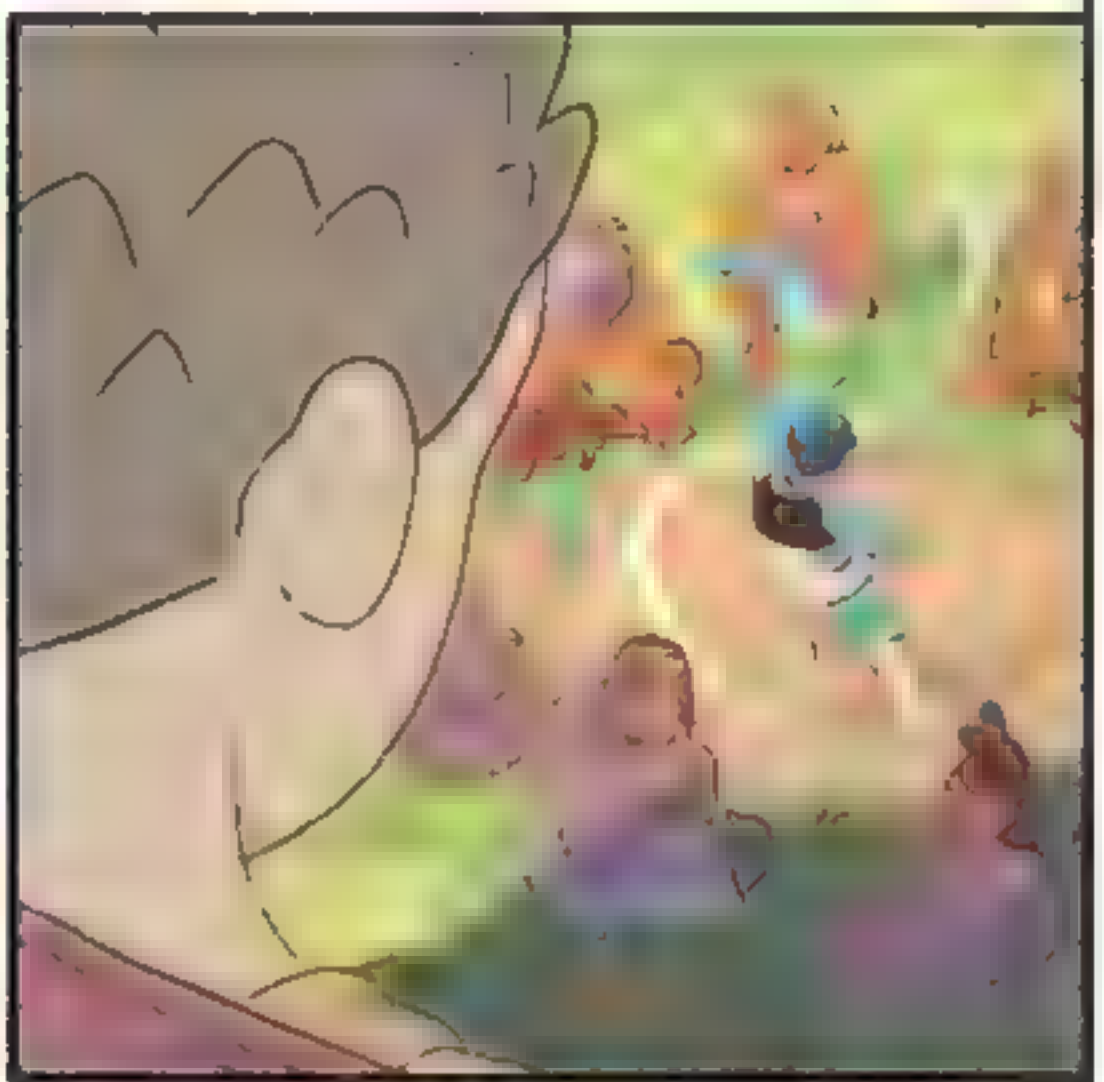
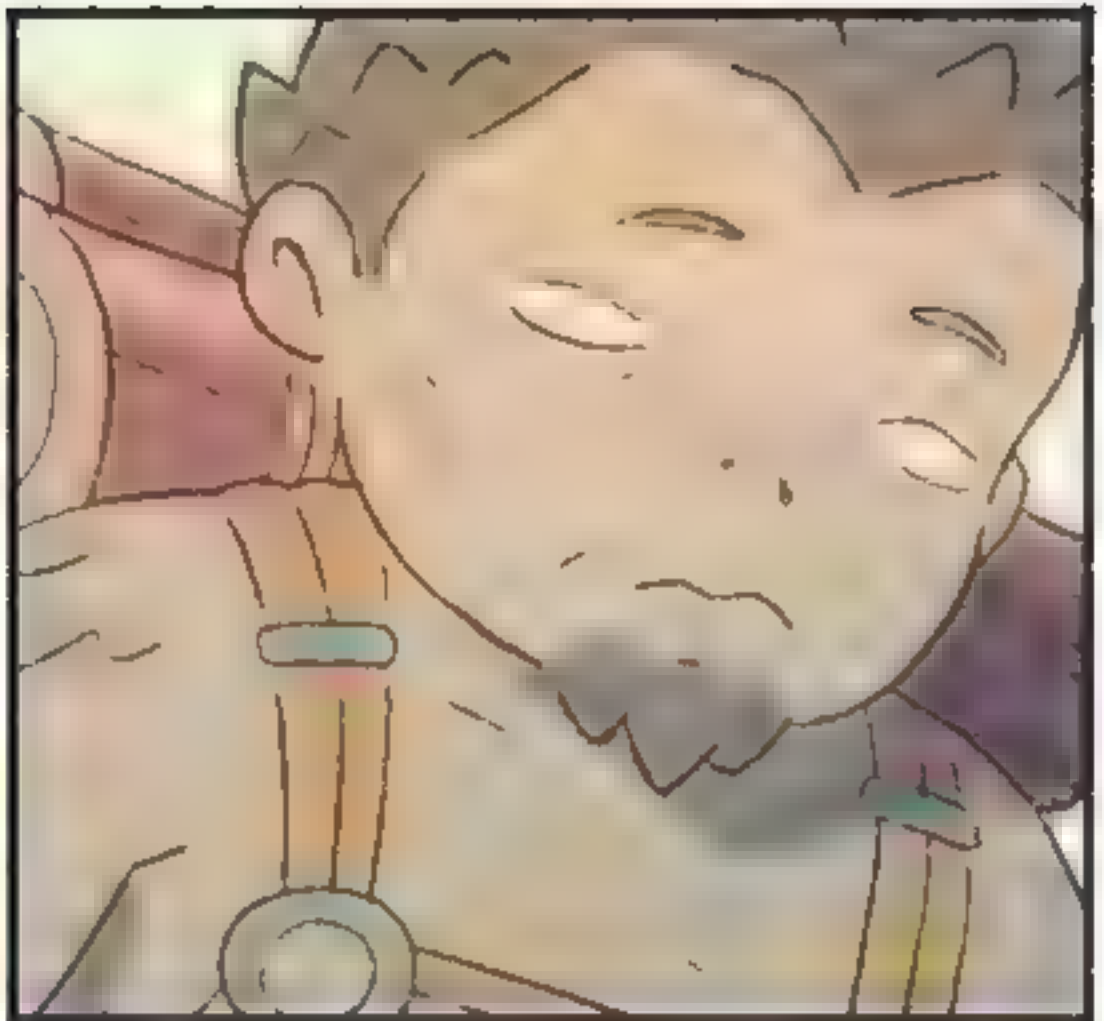
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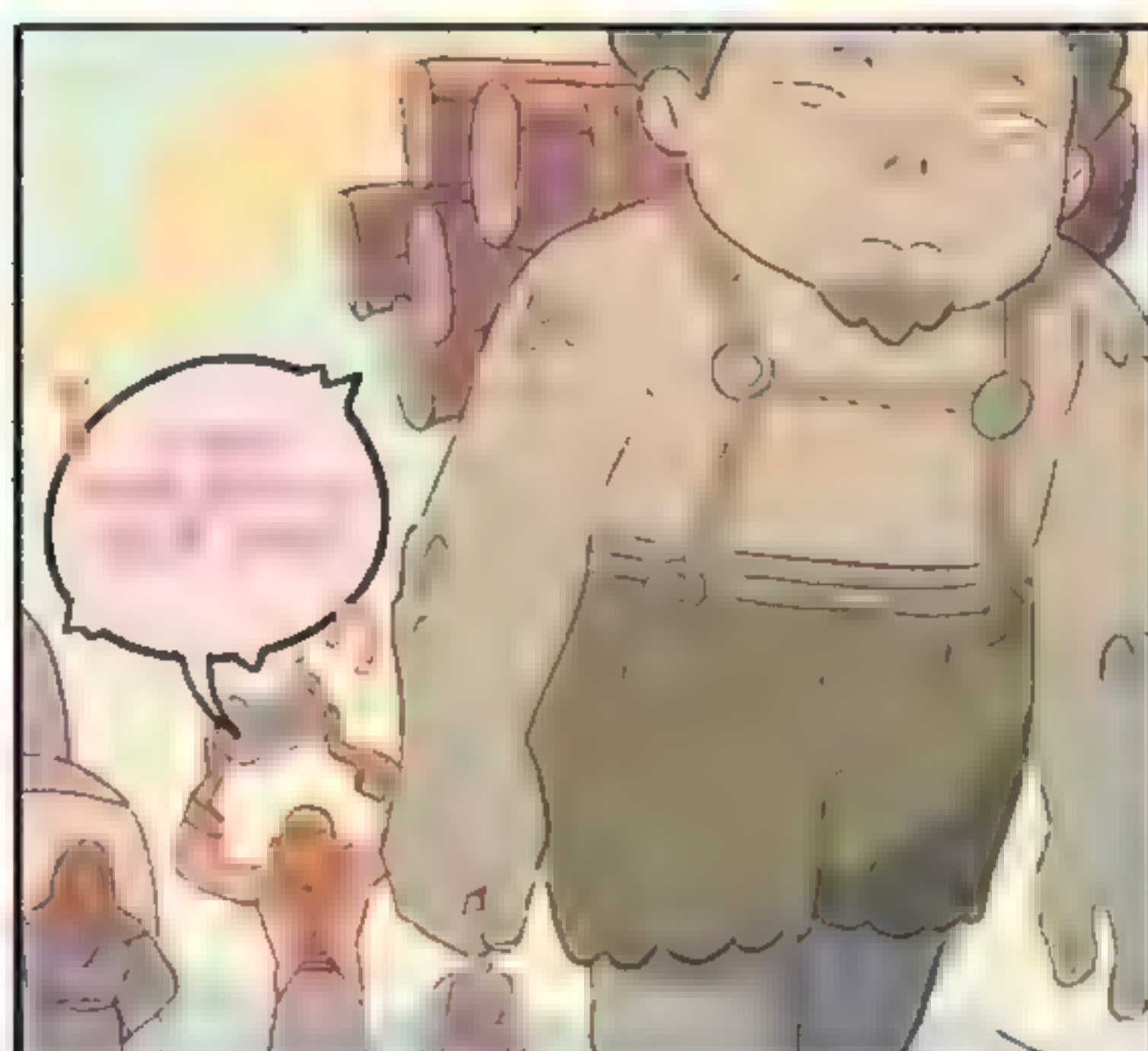
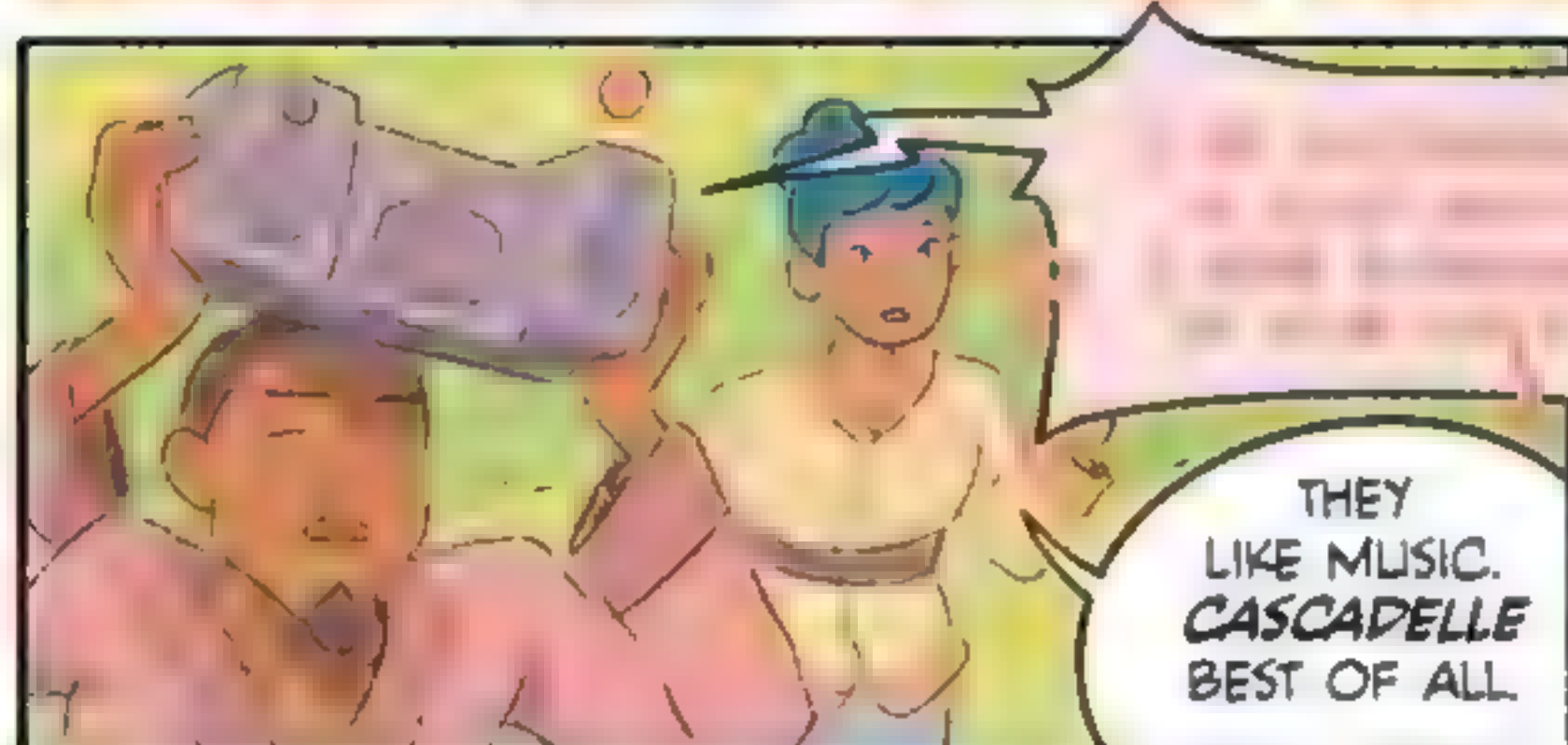
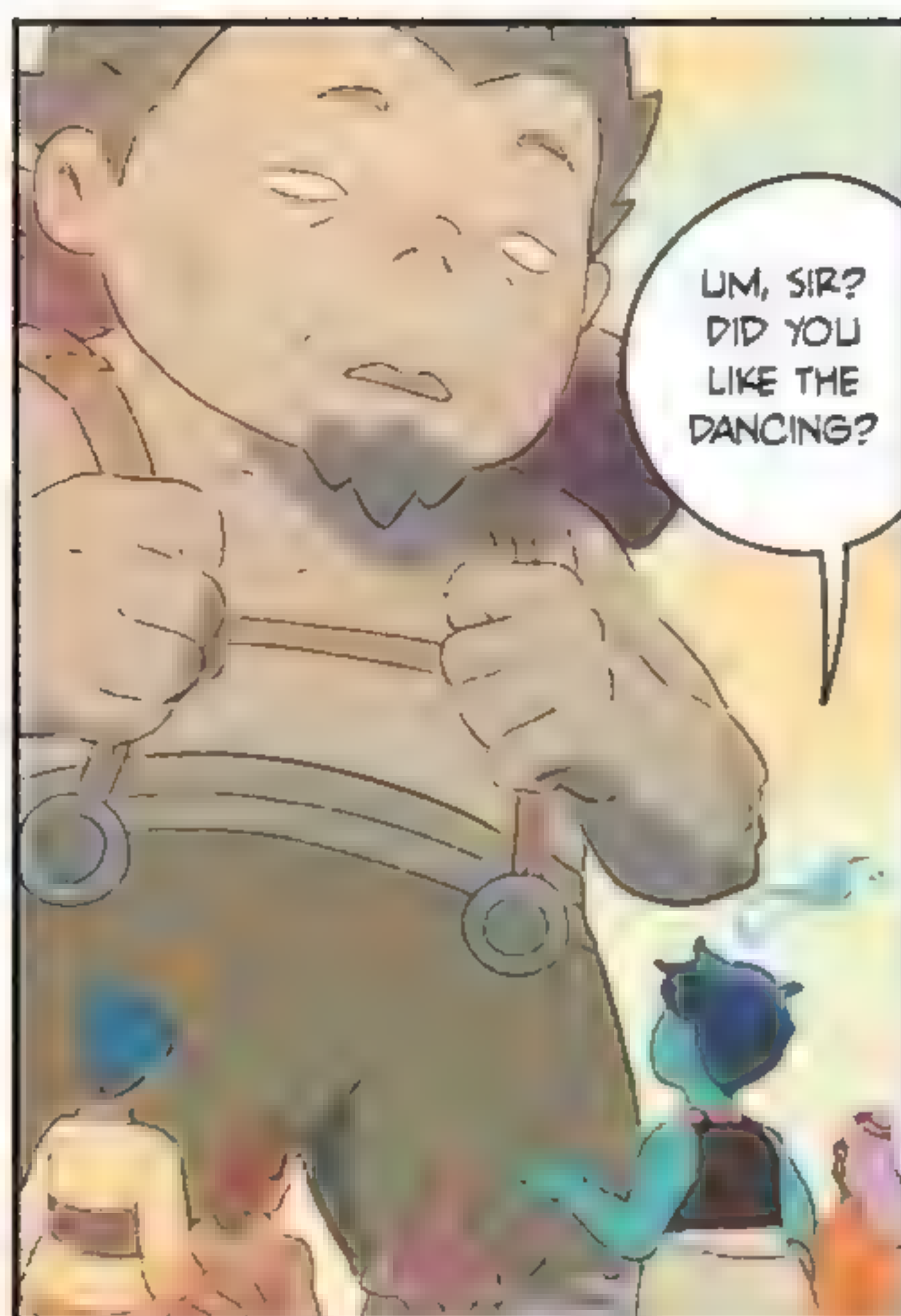
THE SINGING WEAVERS

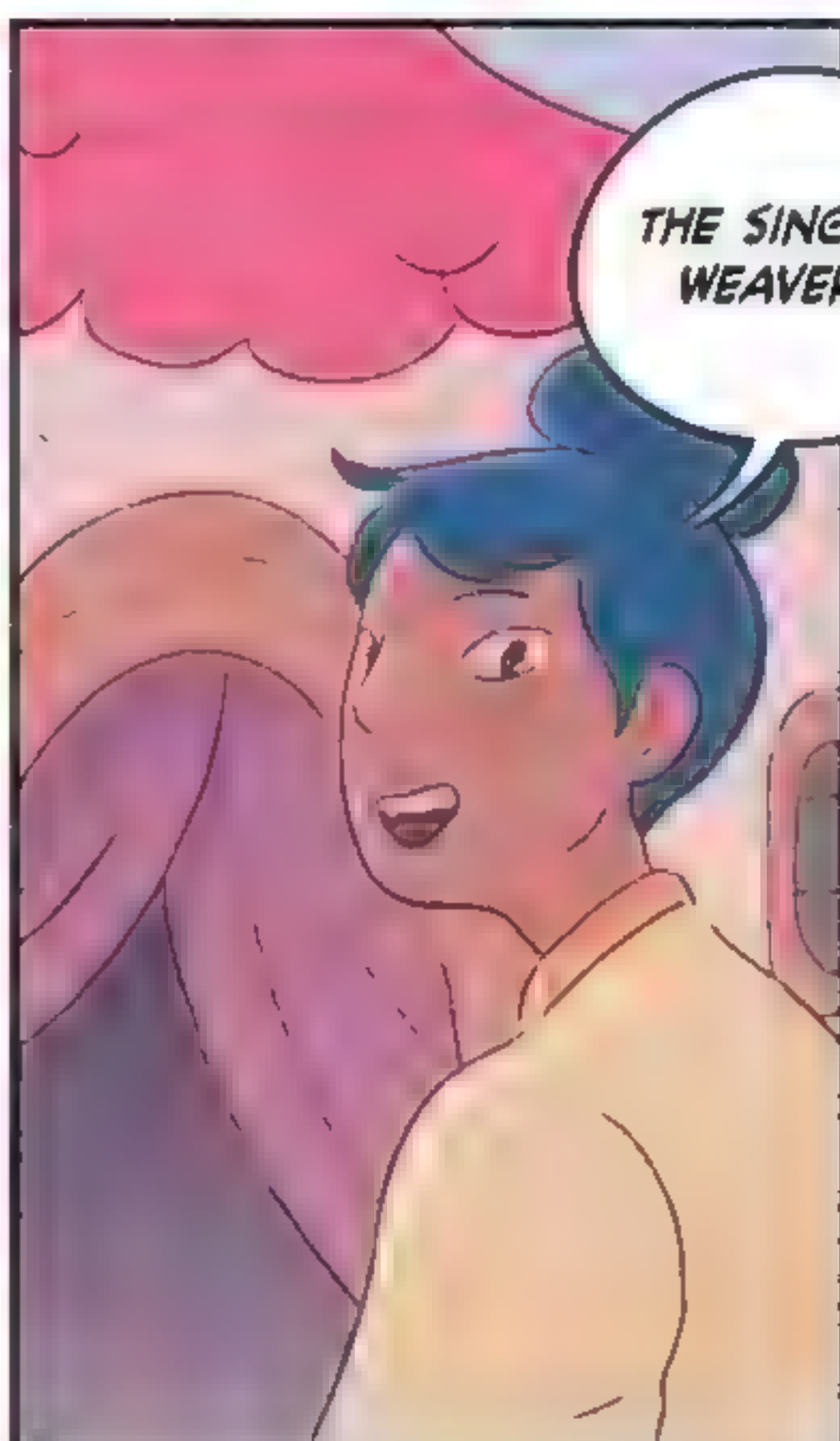
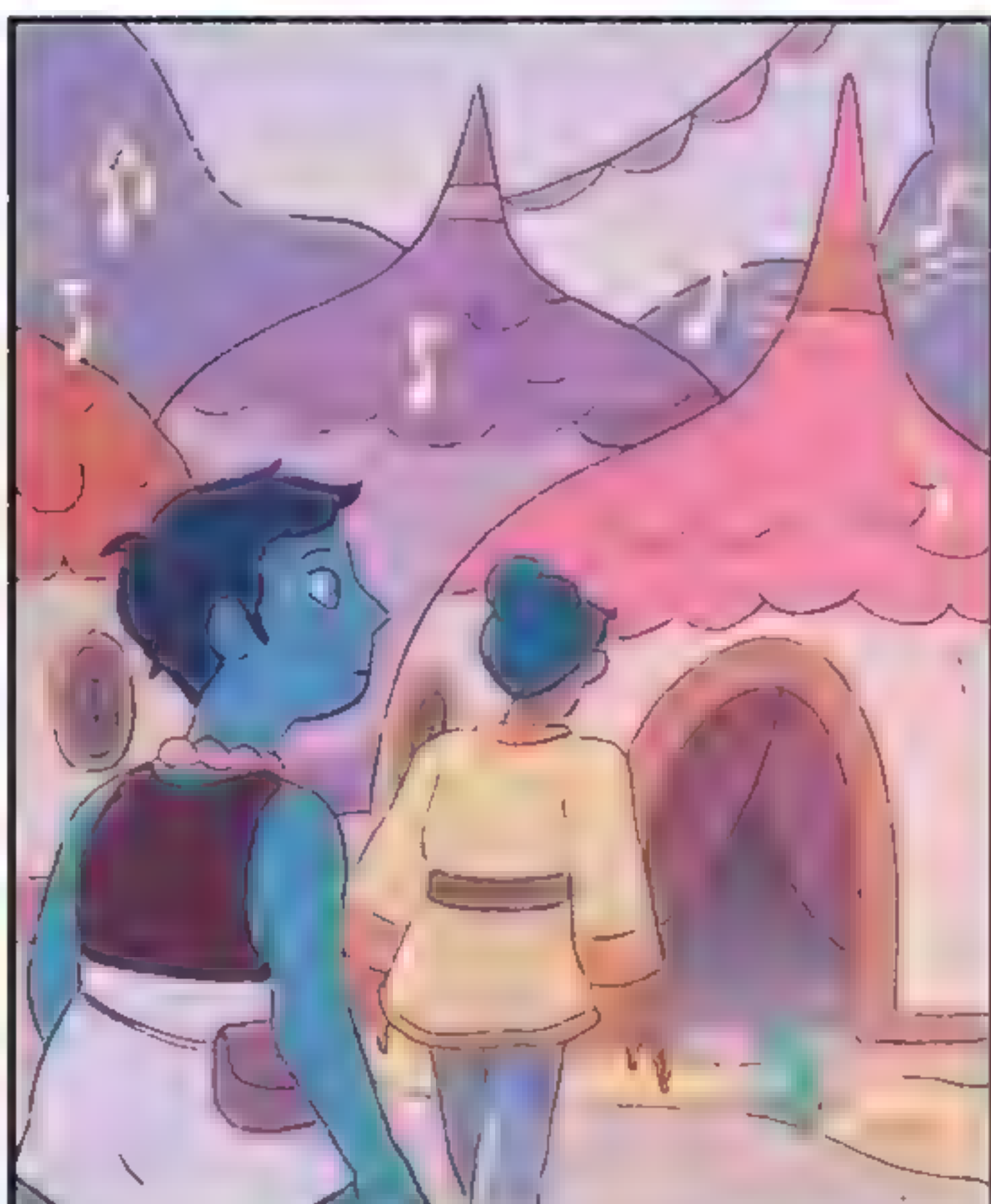
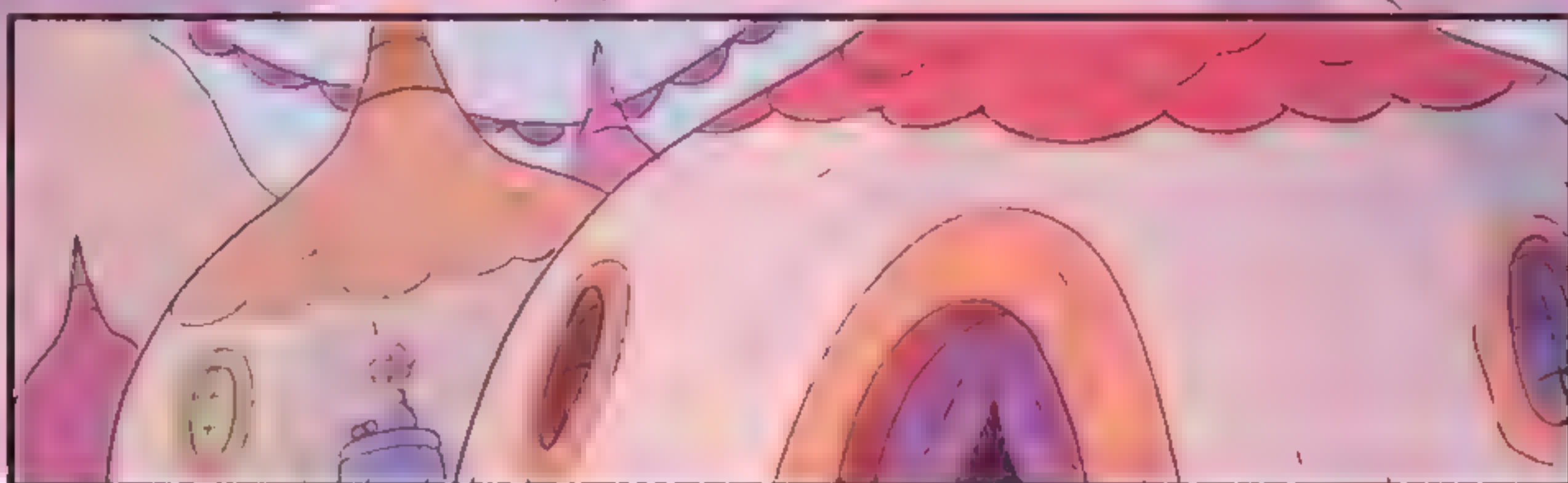












THE SINGING
WEAVERS!



EXCUSE ME,
I WAS HOPING TO
FIND THE *SINGING*
WEAVERS. THIS
MUSIC...



YES, PLAYING
ONE OF THEIR
SONGS. TIDYING
UP FOR THEIR
RETURN.

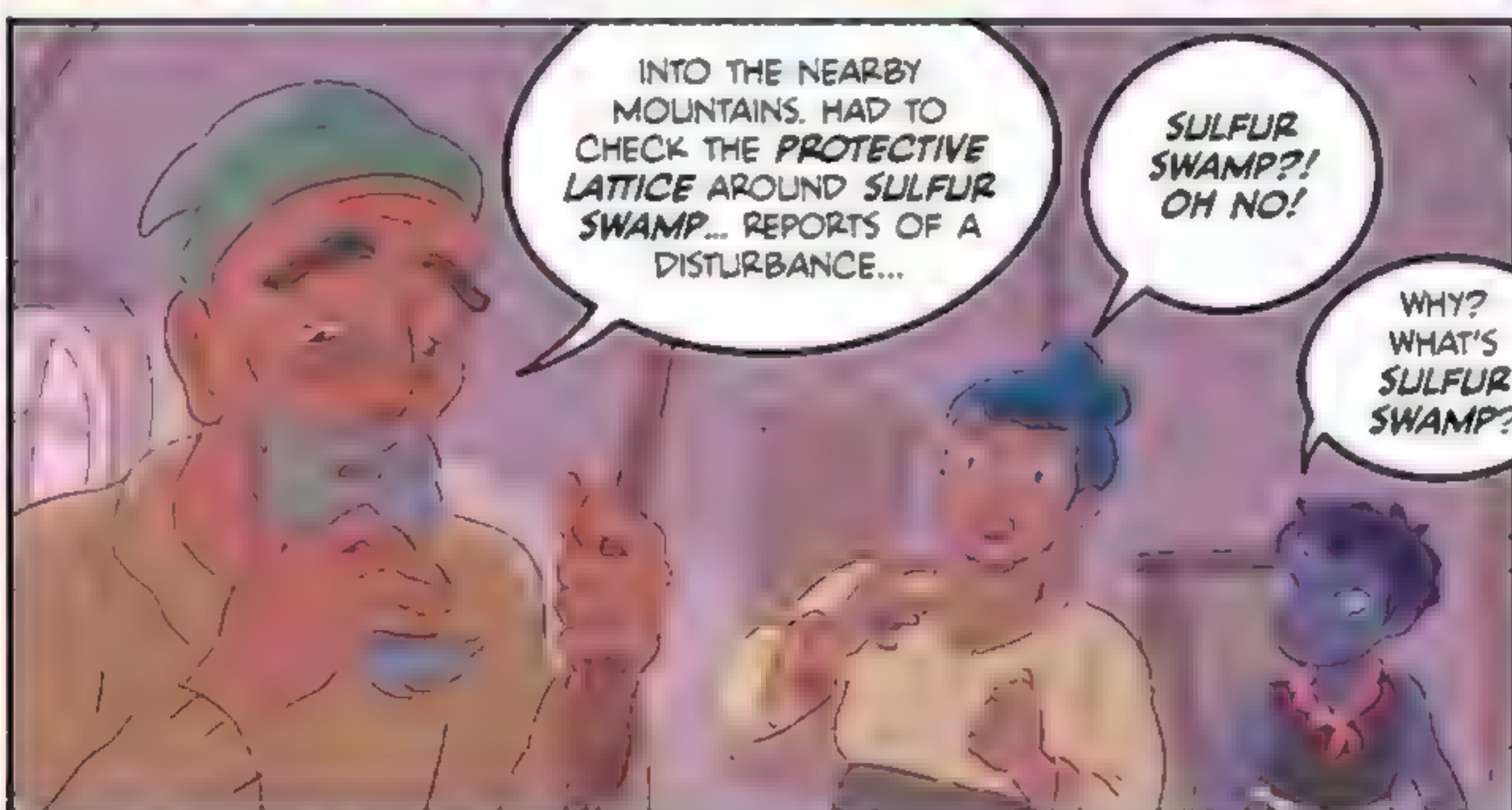
CAN I HELP
YOU WITH
ANYTHING?



DONA HERE IS
THE LIGHTER OF
BEACONS...

LIGHTER
OF BEACONS!!
THE WEAVERS WILL
BE THRILLED! TO
TELL THE TRUTH,
THEY SHOULD'VE
BEEN BACK
YESTERDAY...

DID THEY
GO FAR?



INTO THE NEARBY
MOUNTAINS. HAD TO
CHECK THE *PROTECTIVE*
LATTICE AROUND *SULFUR*
SWAMP... REPORTS OF A
DISTURBANCE...

SULFUR
SWAMP?! OH NO!

WHY?
WHAT'S
SULFUR
SWAMP?

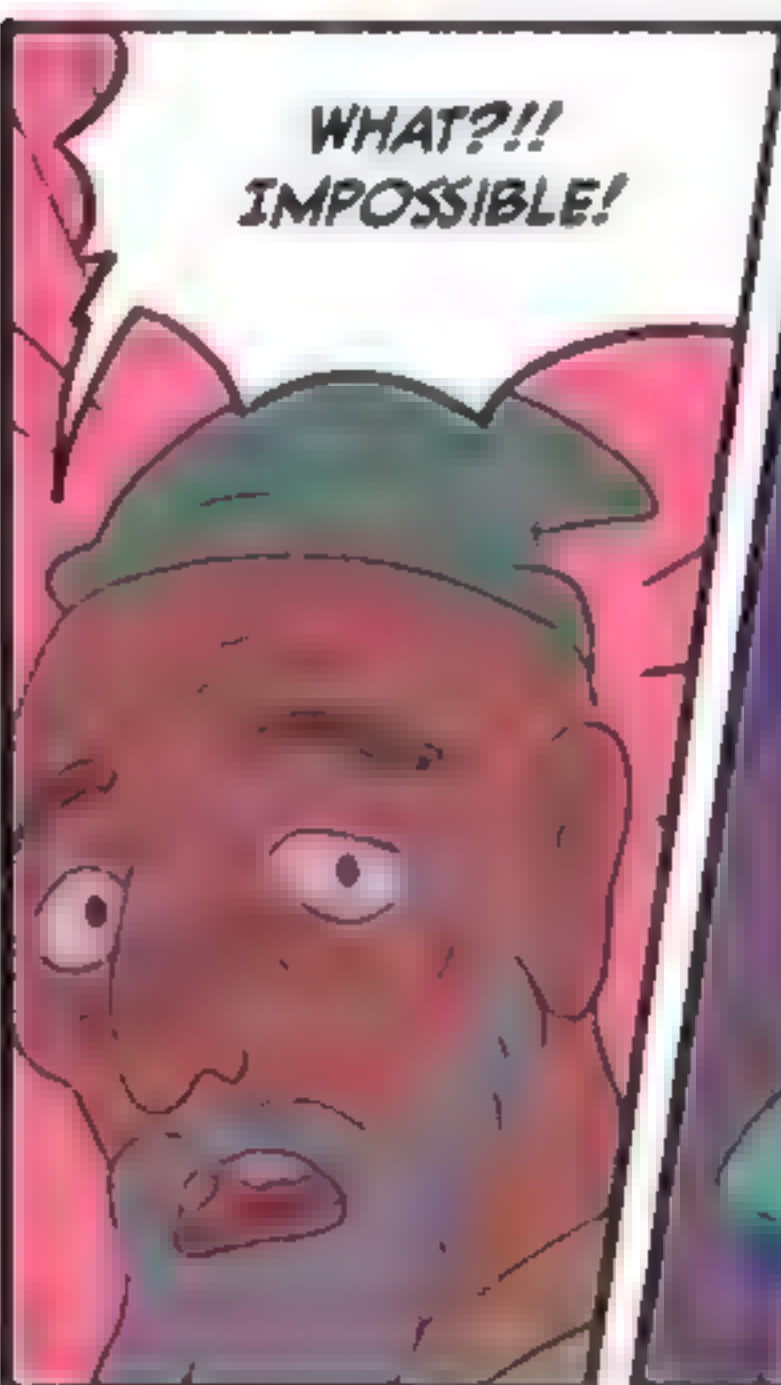


IT'S CURSED!
A PLACE OF
GREAT EVIL!

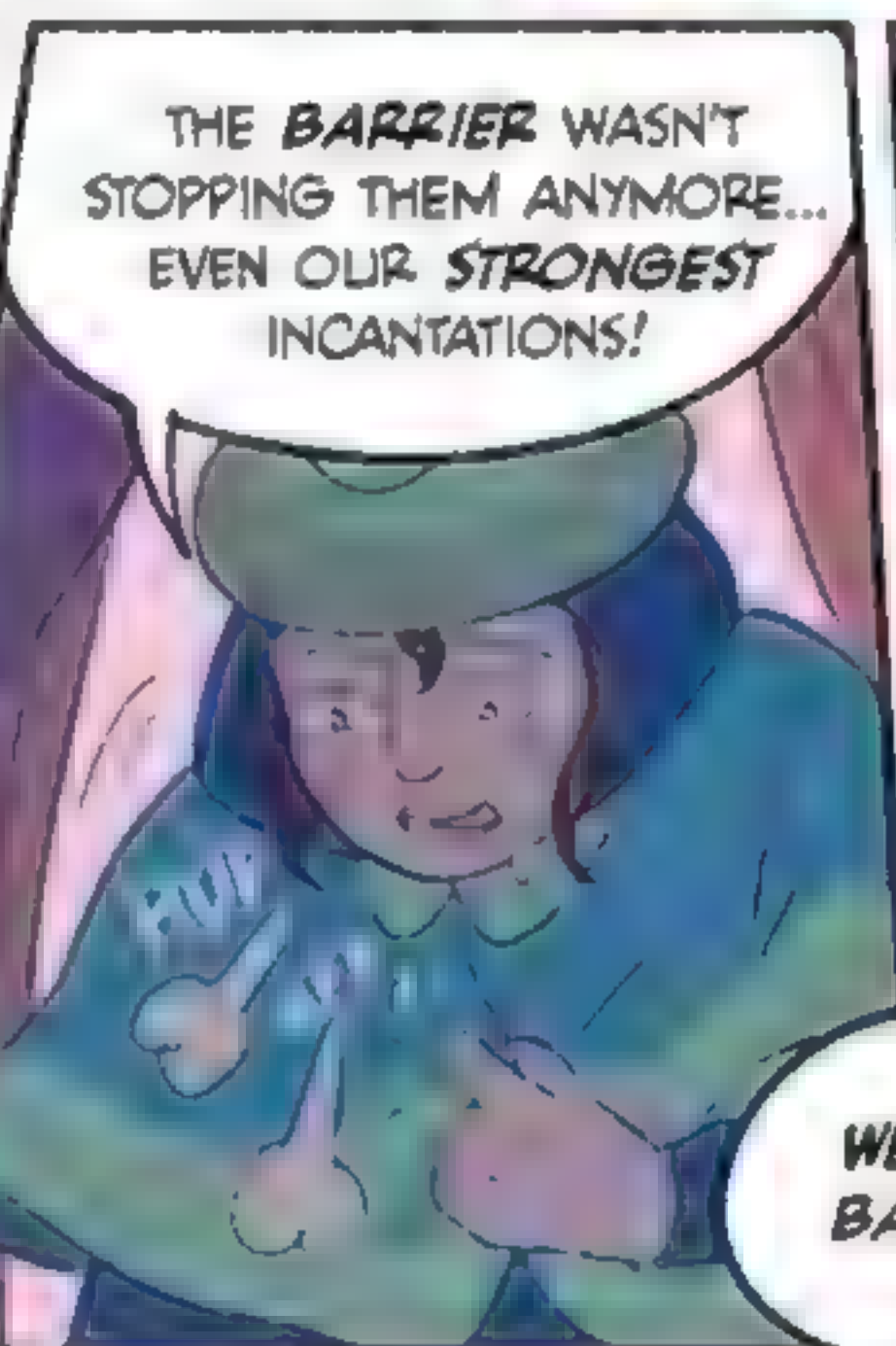
THE
WRAITHS...
THEY'VE BURST
THROUGH THE
LATTICE!

HENDRIK!
GET HELP!

YES, NASTY THINGS
THERE, BUT THE **WEAVERS**
ARE USED TO THAT. KEPT
'EM **LOCKED IN** FOR
GENERATIONS...



WHAT?!!
IMPOSSIBLE!



THE **BARRIER** WASN'T
STOPPING THEM ANYMORE...
EVEN OUR **STRONGEST**
INCANTATIONS!

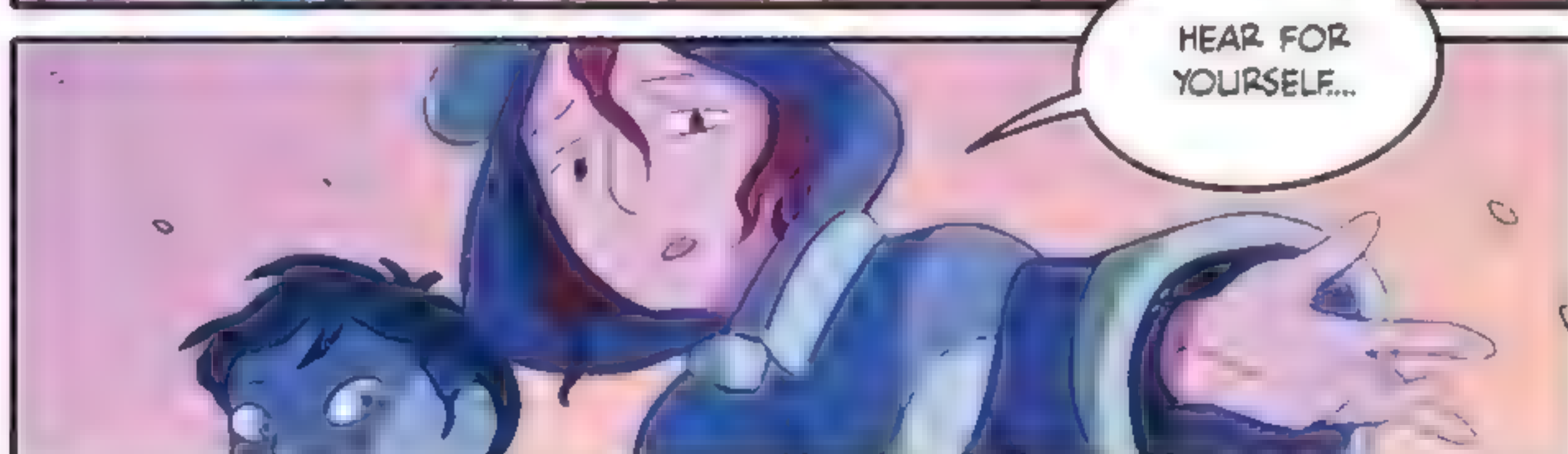


WE NEED
BACKUP!



I'LL GATHER
THE ELDERS, AND
GET THE YOUNG
ONES TO
SAFETY.

WHAT ARE THE
WRAITHS?

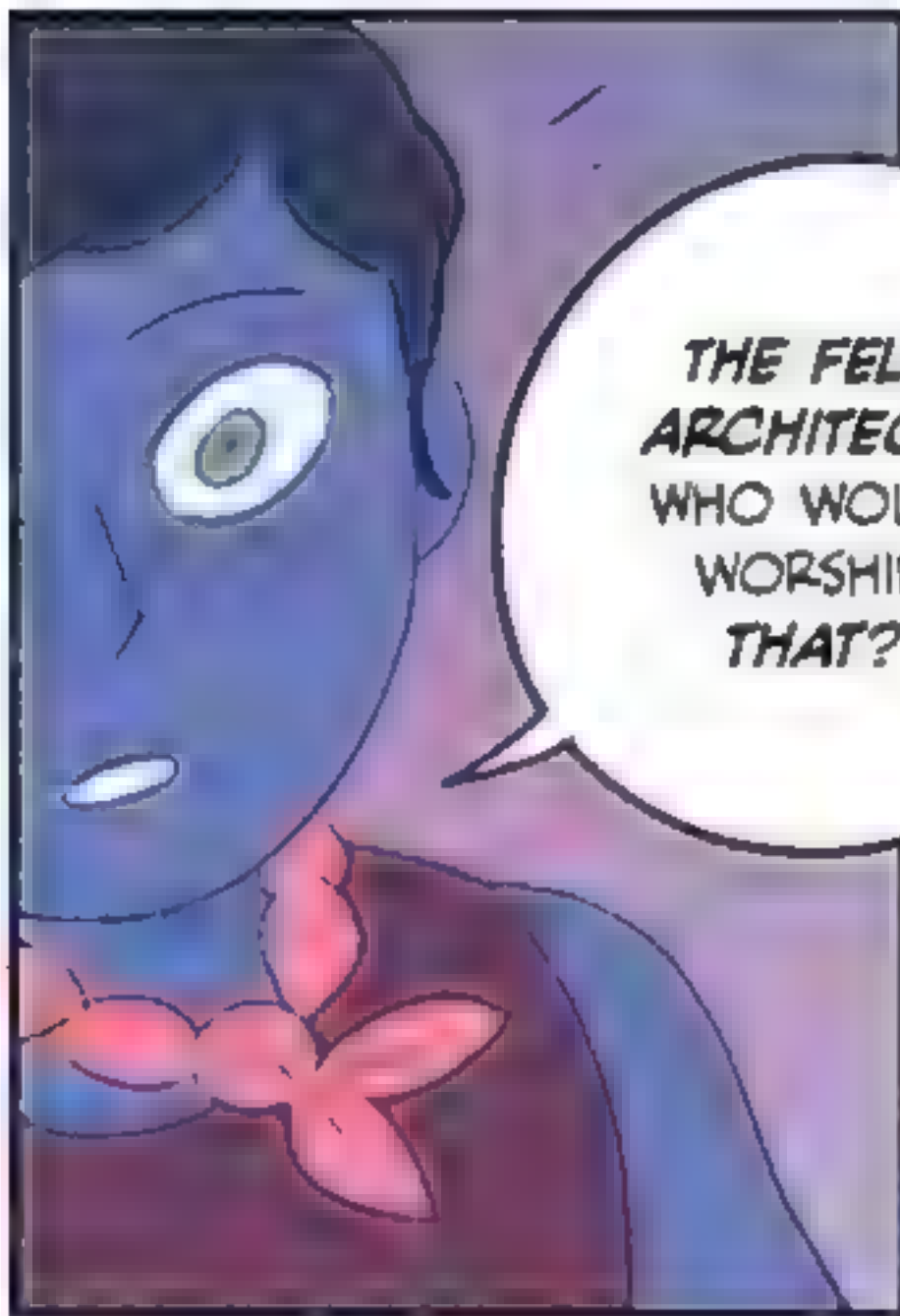


SULFUR SWAMP

THE GREAT
ONE HAS
RETURNED!

THE GREAT ONE
HAS RETURNED!

GREAT
ONE!



THE FELID ARCHITECT!!
WHO WOULD WORSHIP...
THAT?!



AND THEY THINK
THE FELID TRAITOR
IS BACK? ON
SALASSANDRA?

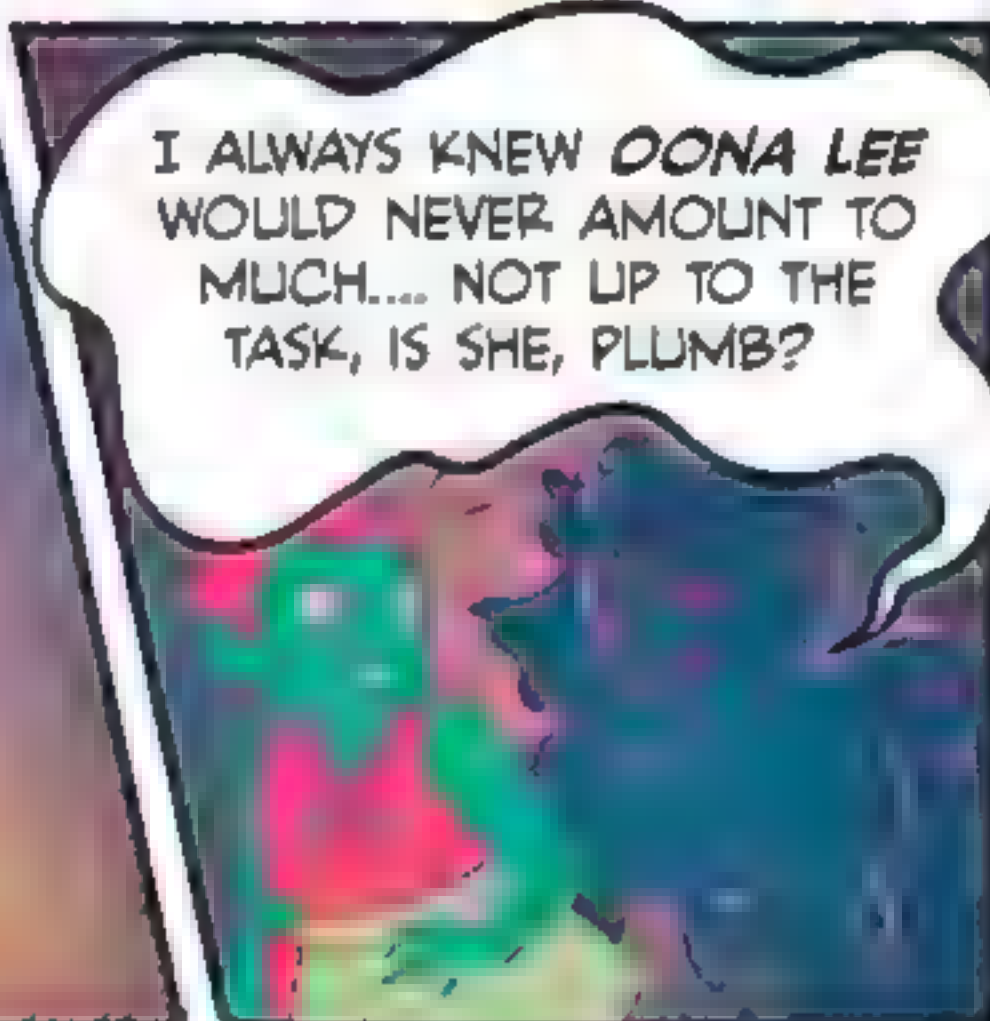
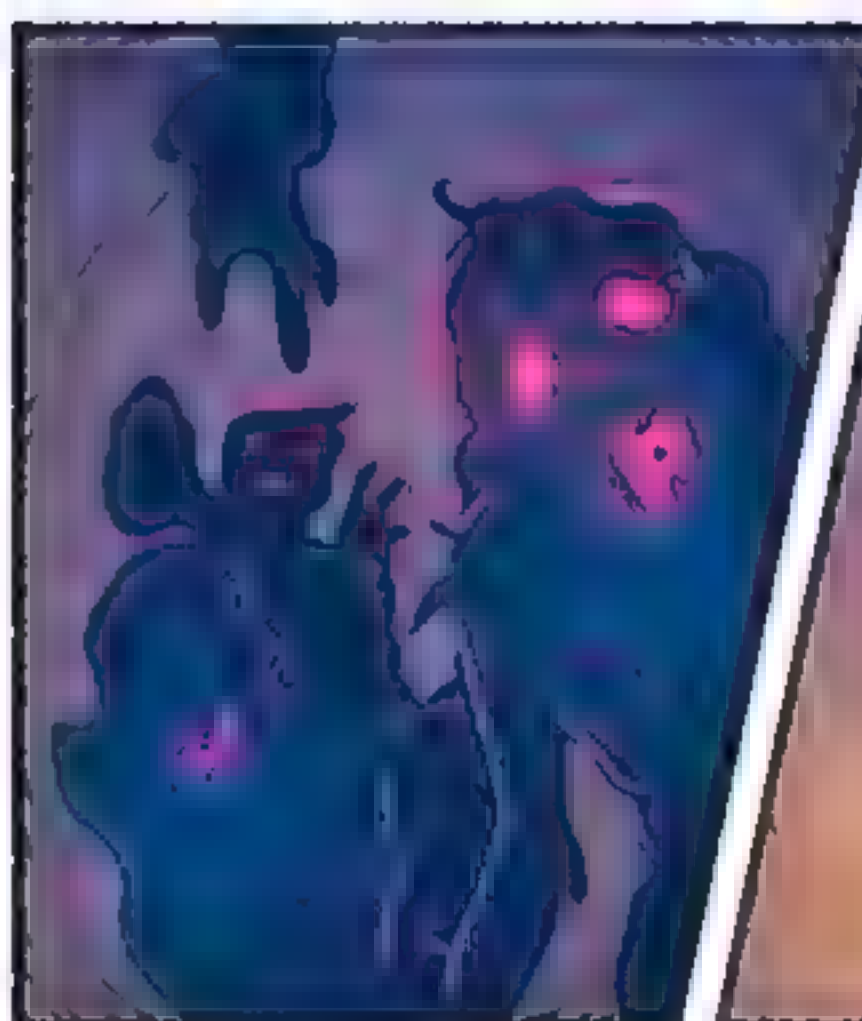
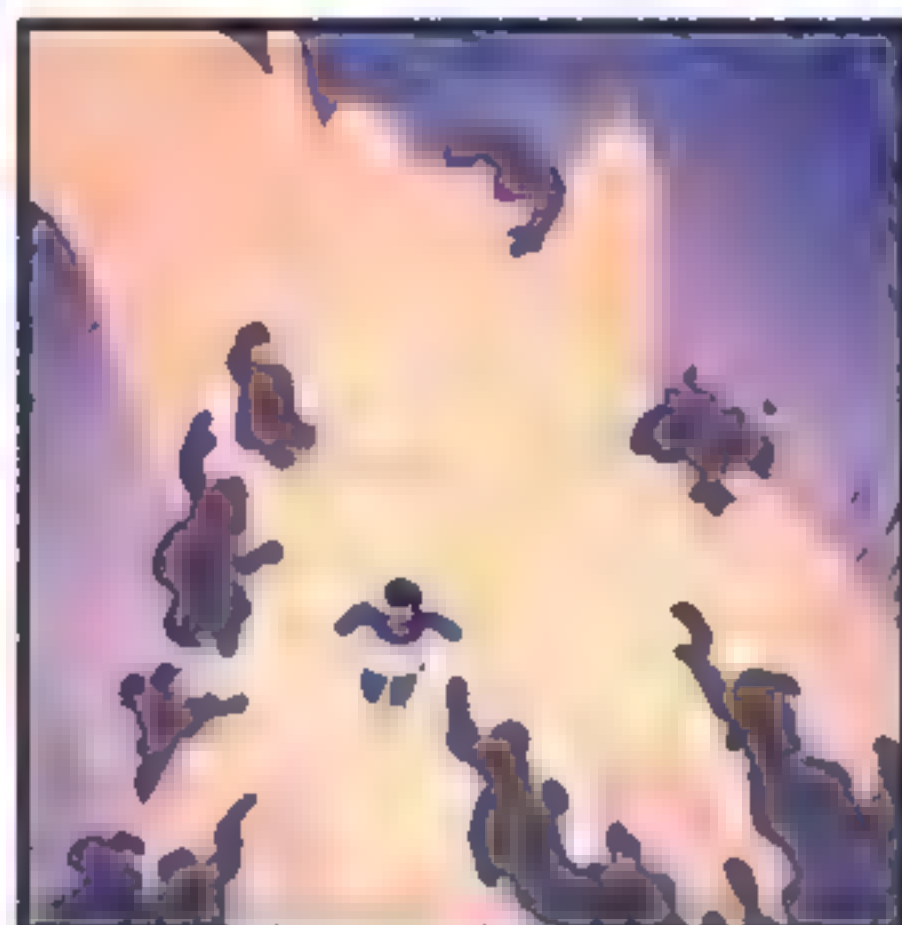
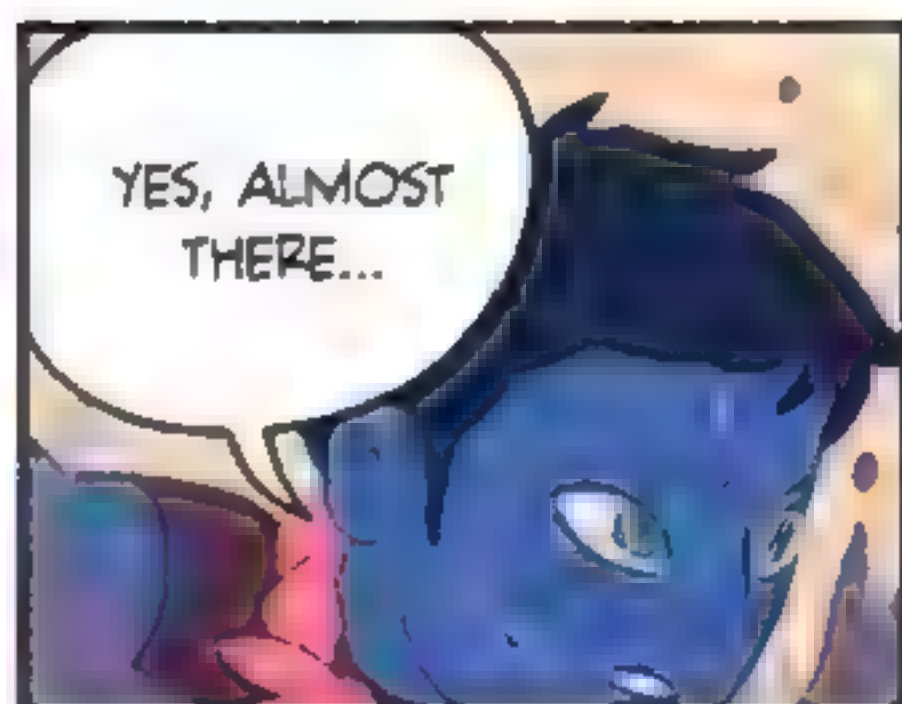
HE'D BE A
THOUSAND
YEARS OLD...

THE MIMIC
IS THEIR REAL
MASTER. IT
DOESN'T AGE.



DO YOU
KNOW WHAT
TO DO?

I HOPE MY
SAND DOES....





JESSA?!



NO WONDER HER
JOURNEY ENDS IN
A SWAMP.

NO! NO!

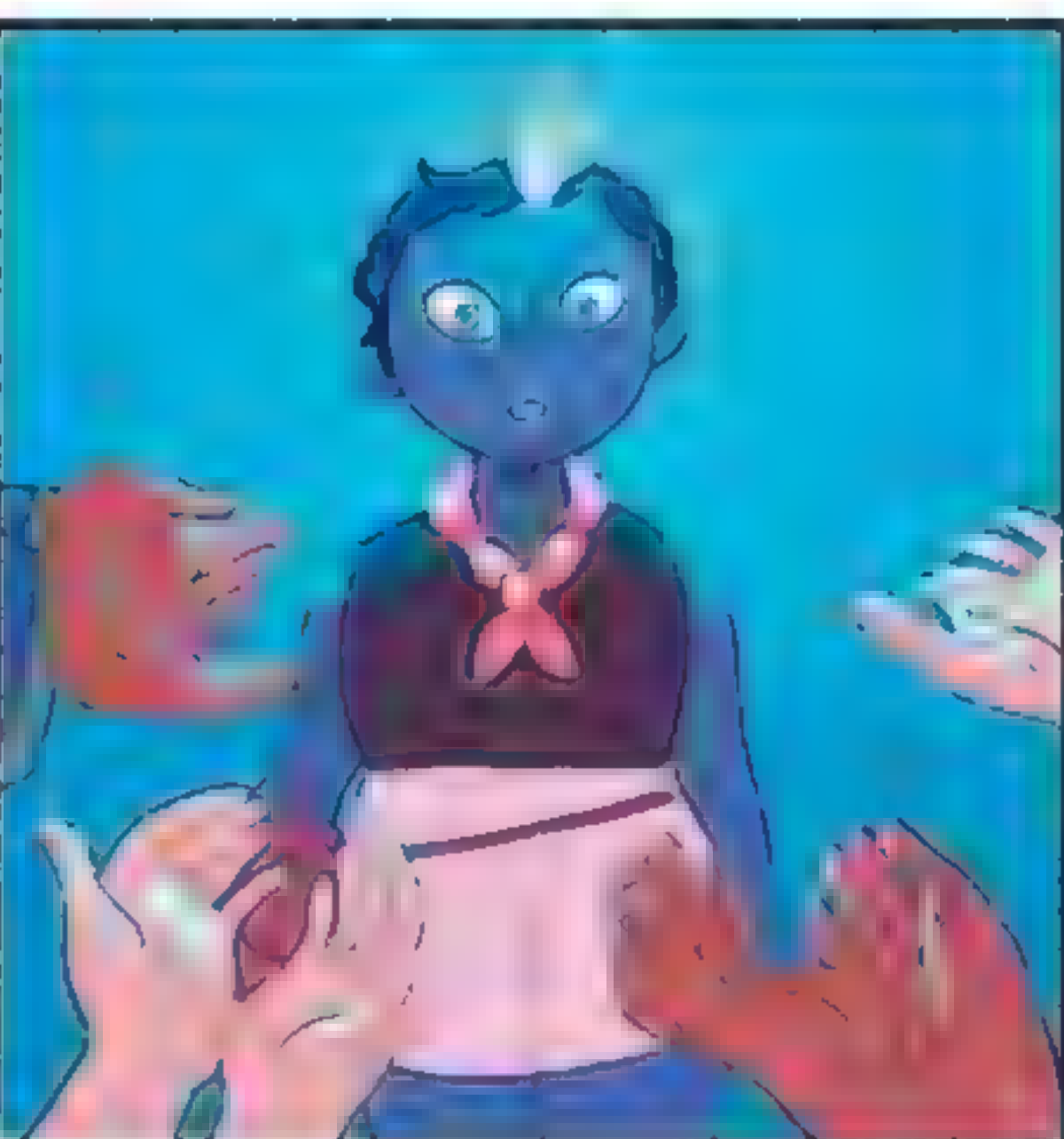
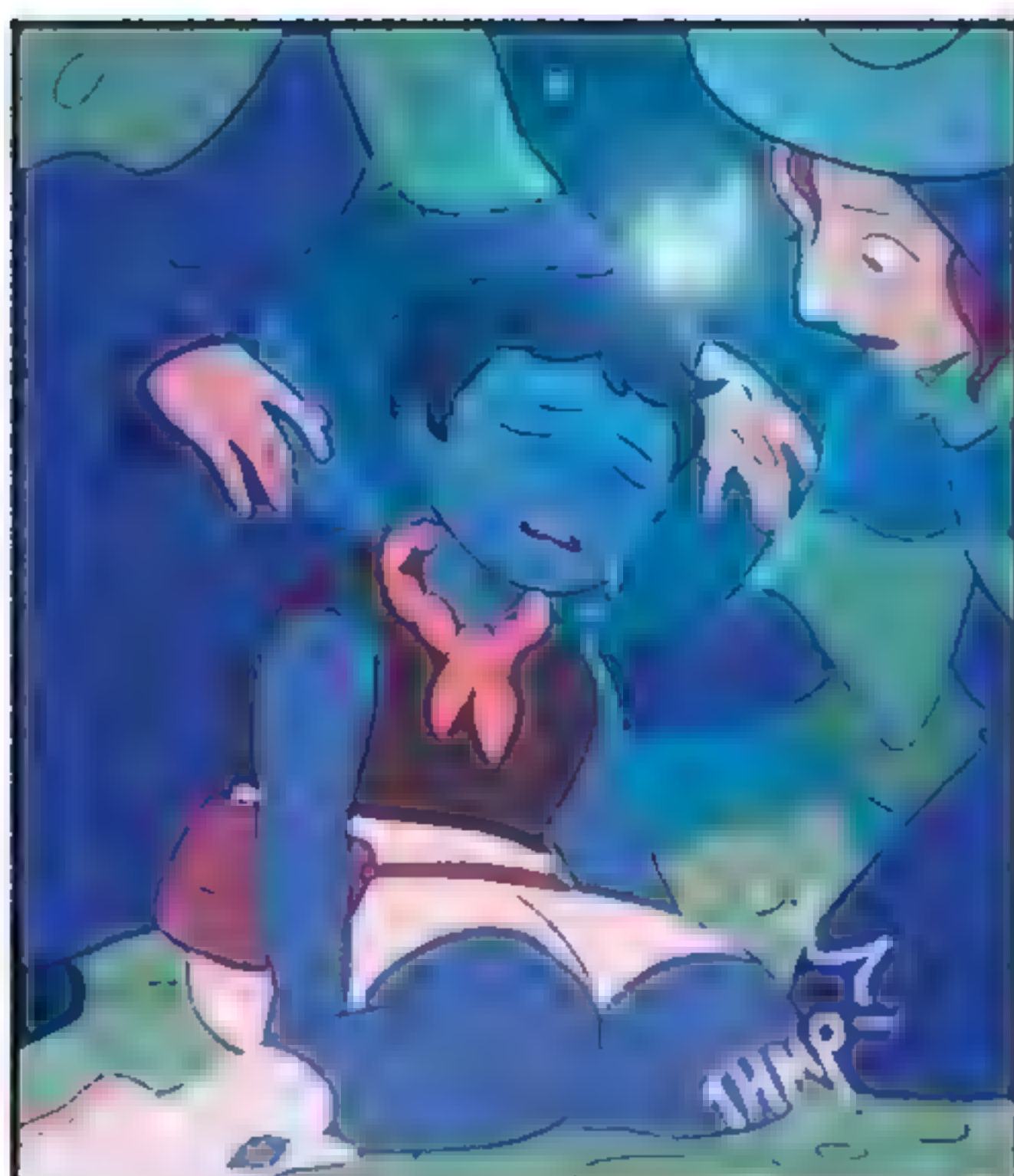


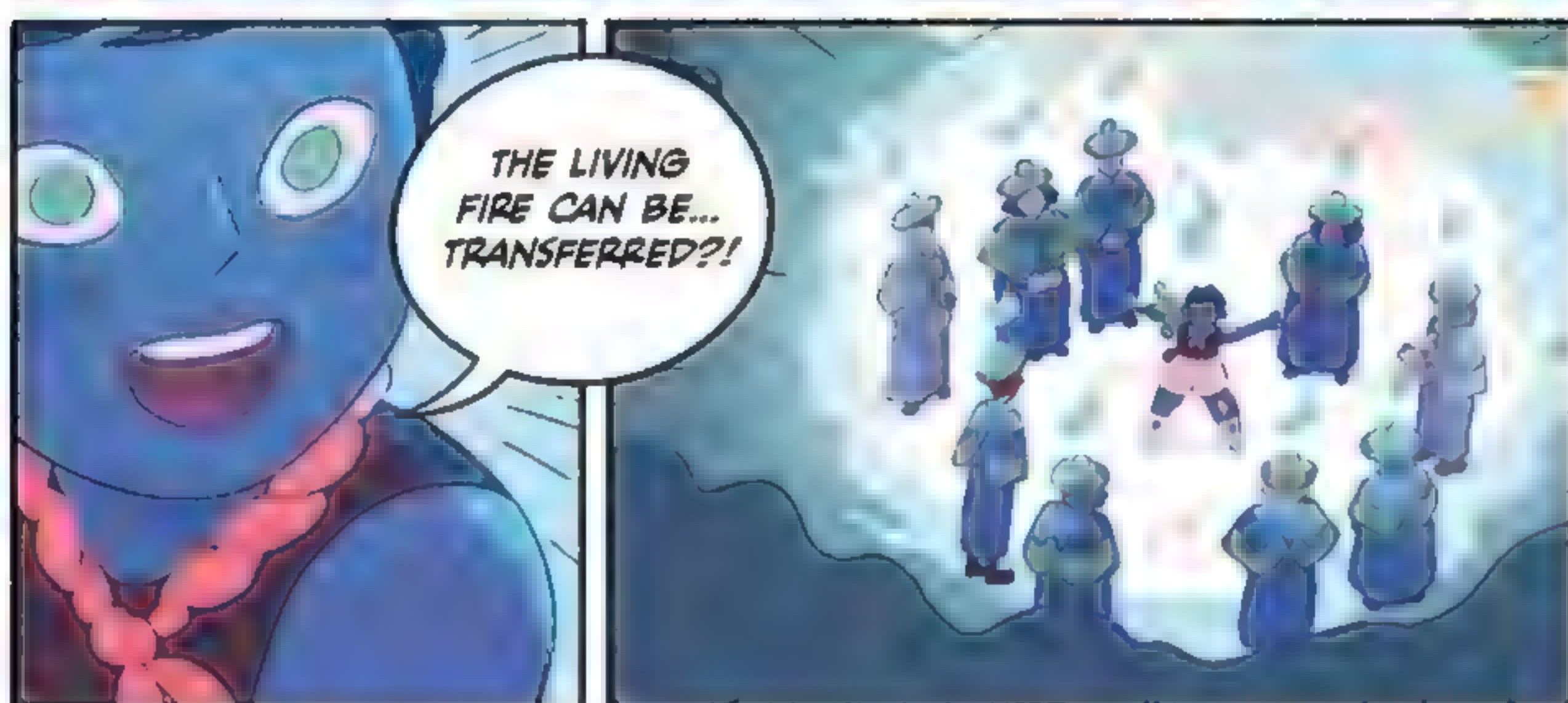
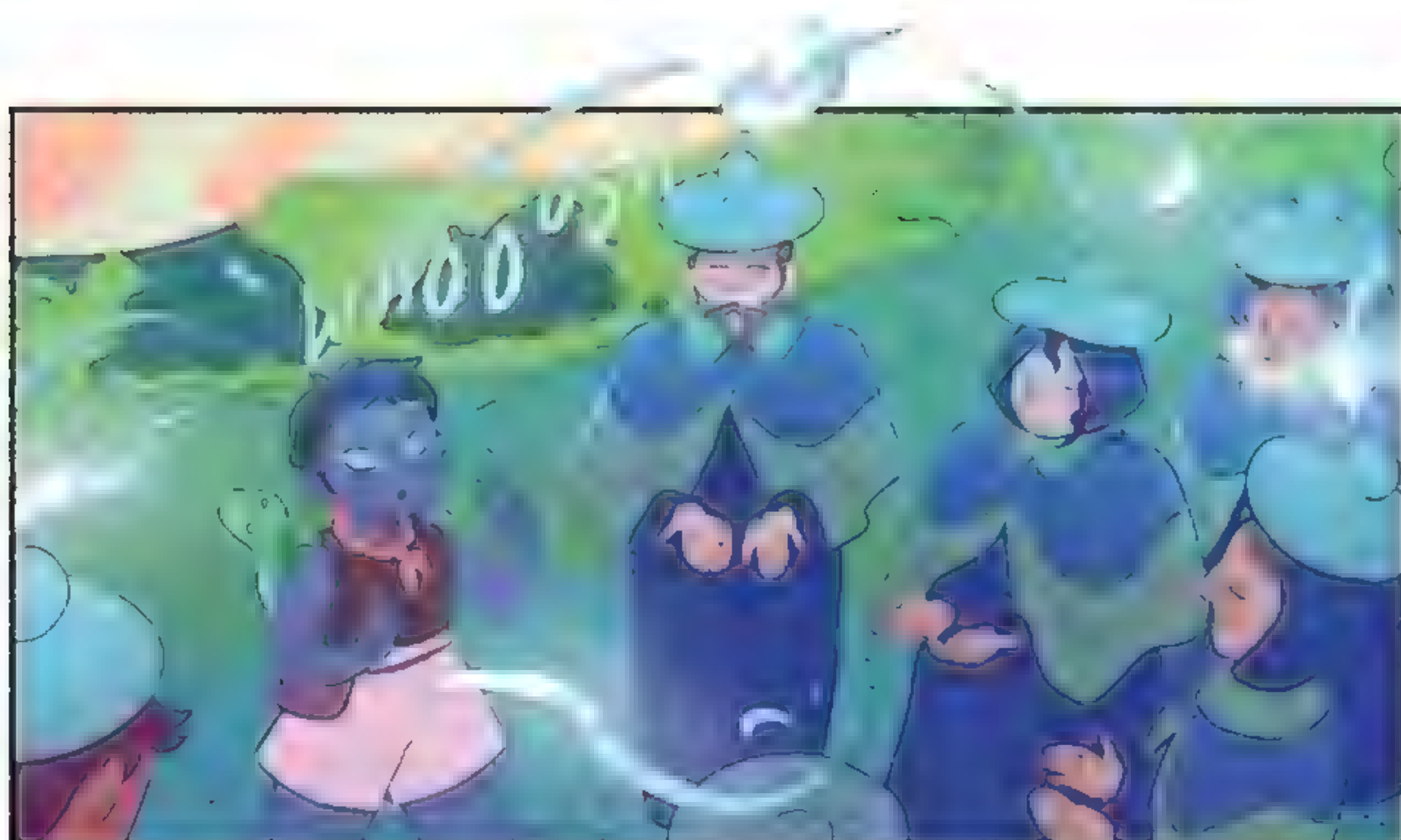
TIME TO STOP
FIGHTING, OONA.
ACCEPT THAT
YOU'RE PART OF
A **STRONGER**
POWER NOW.

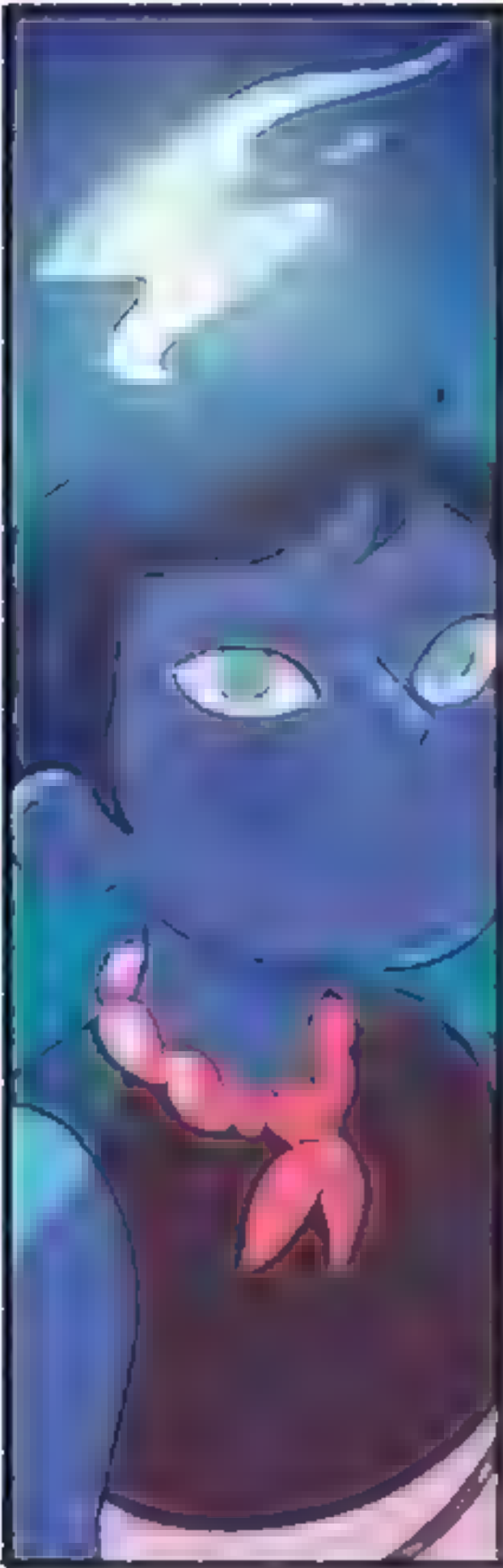
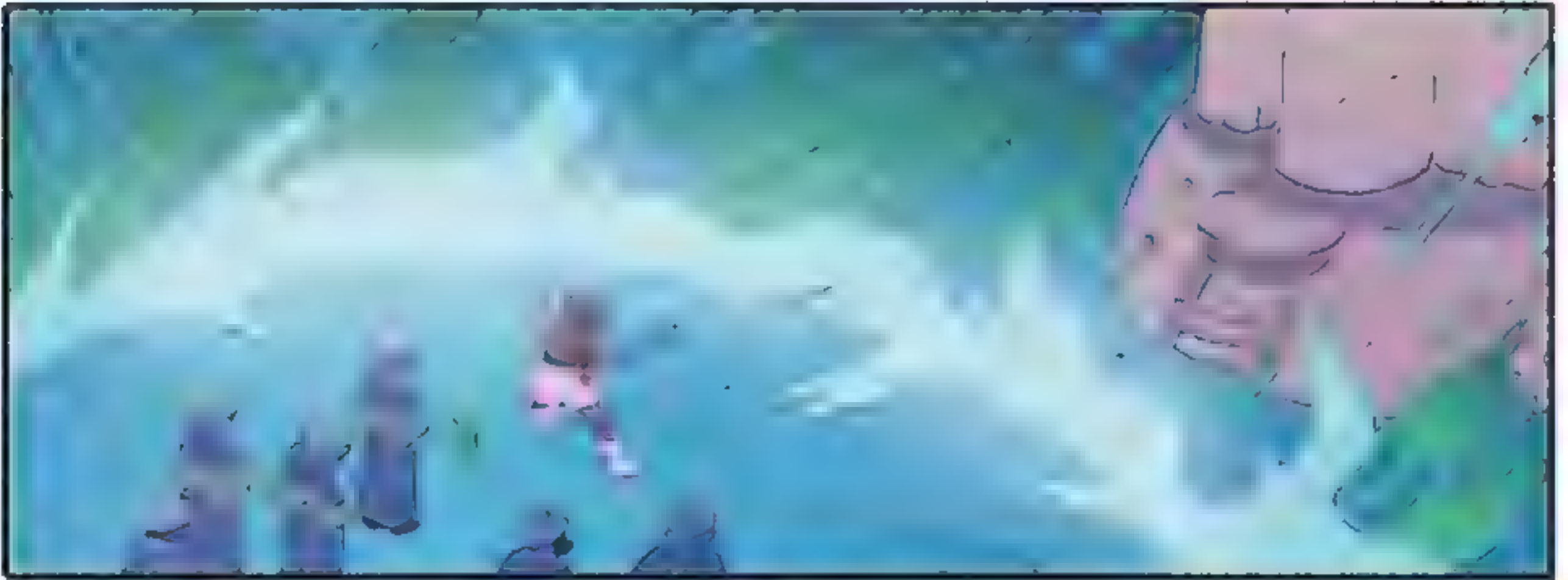


THE ONE
THING...



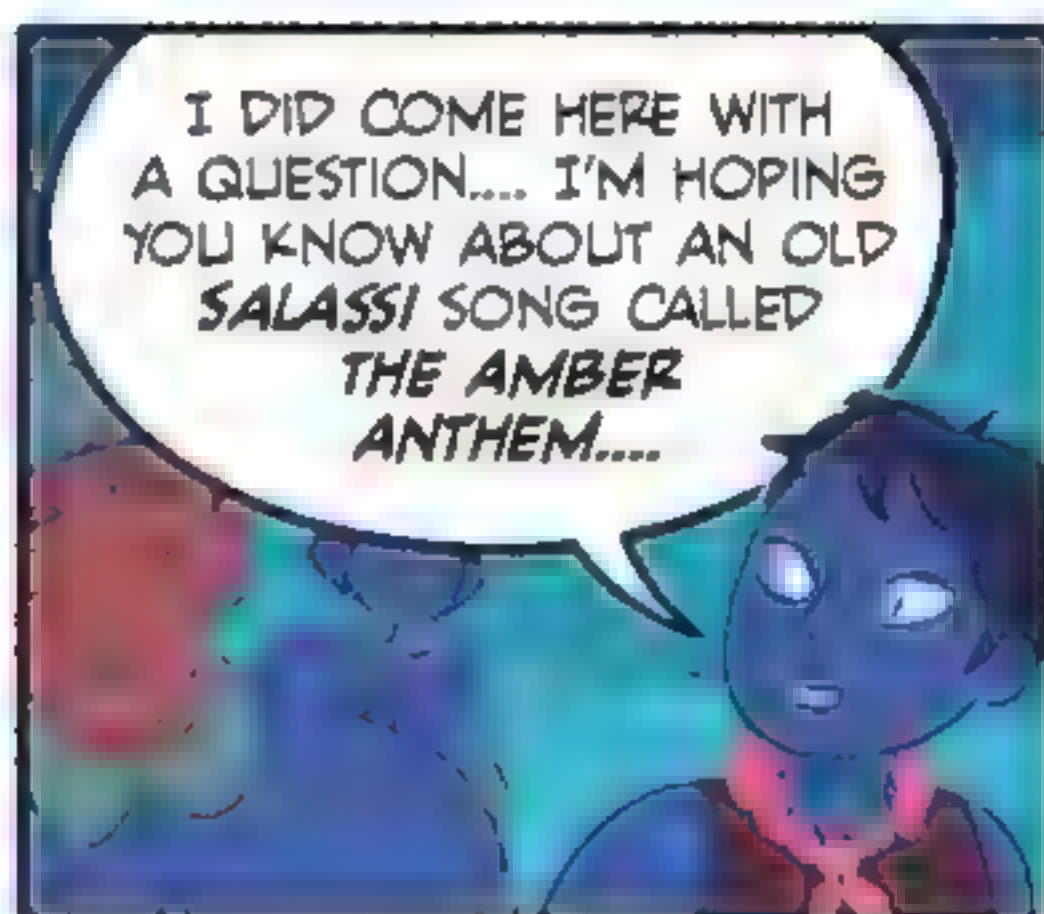
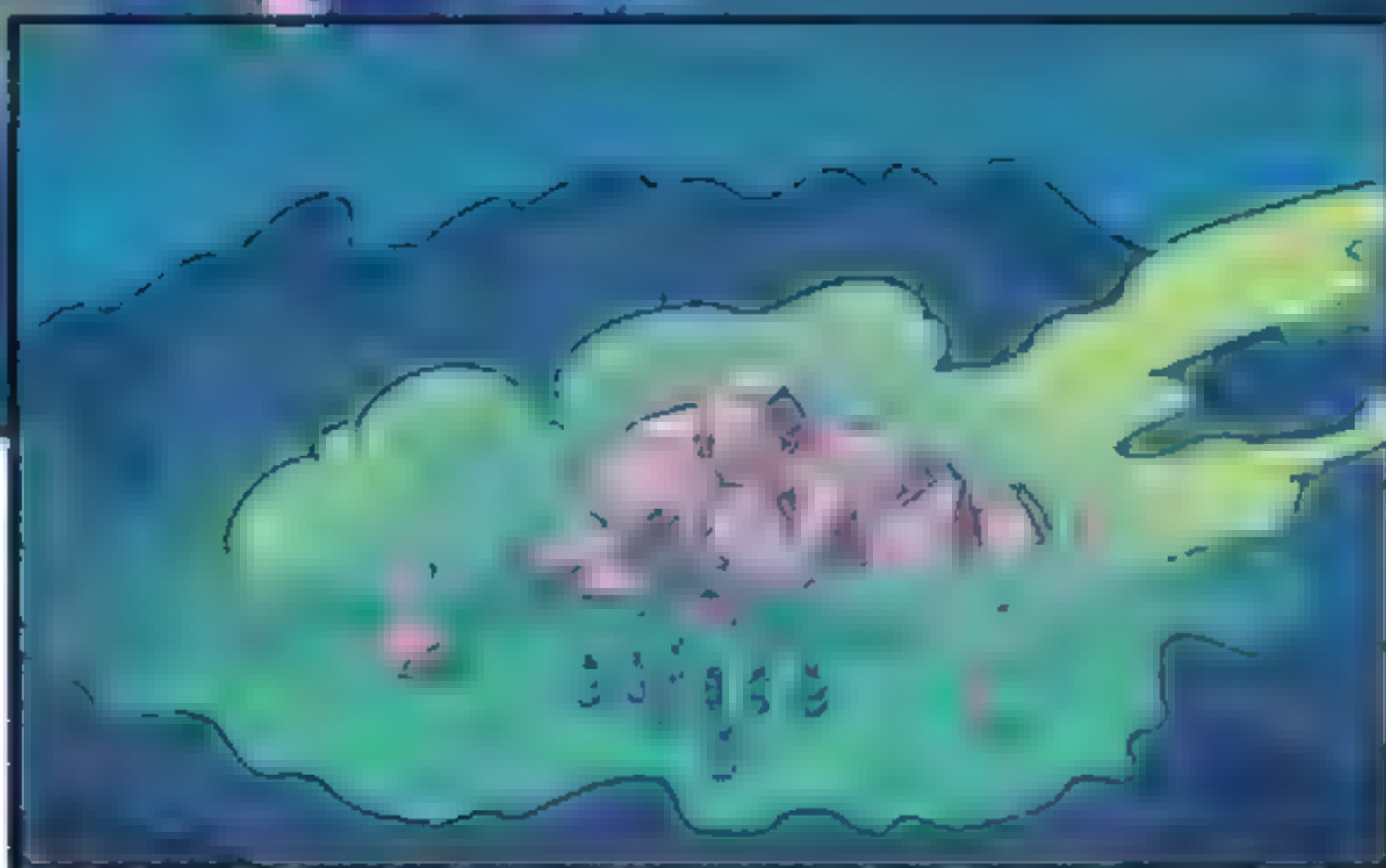
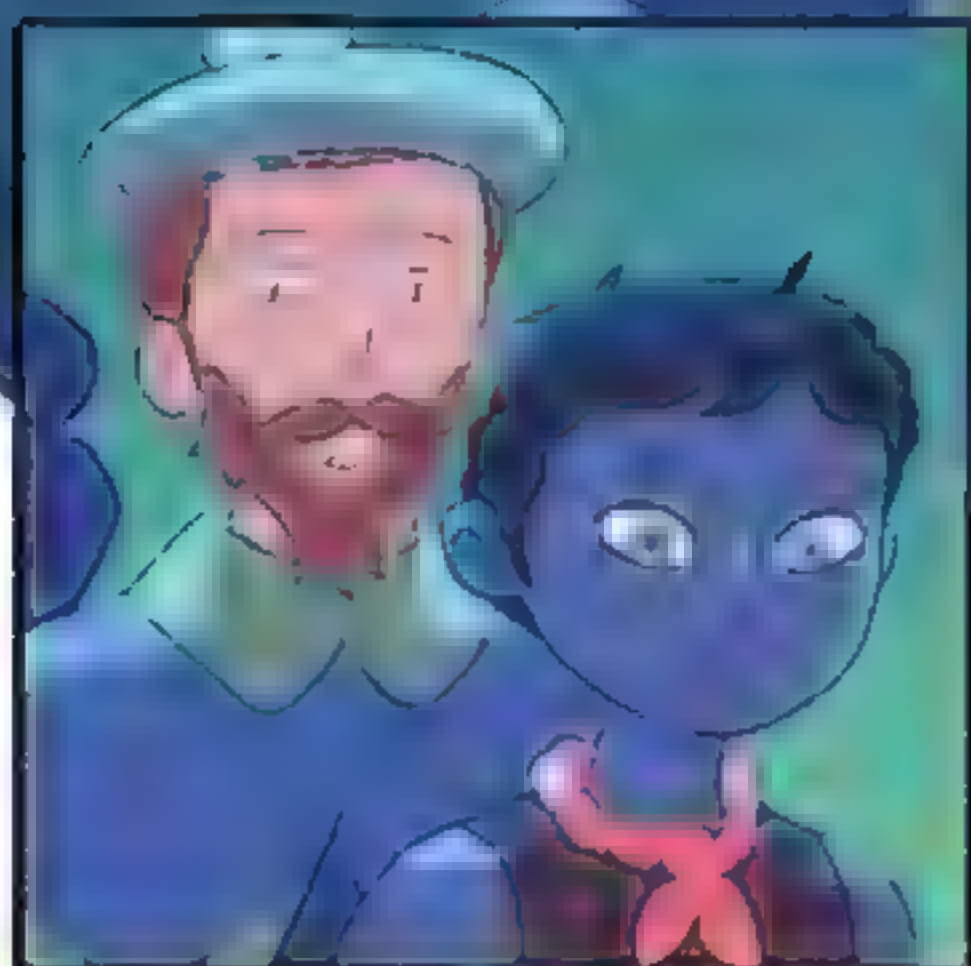






THE **TRAITOR**
WHO TURNED ON
HIS **QUEEN**!









YOU COMING?
OR DO YOU PREFER
TO WALK BACK?



Chapter 7

THE SCARS

MEANWHILE...

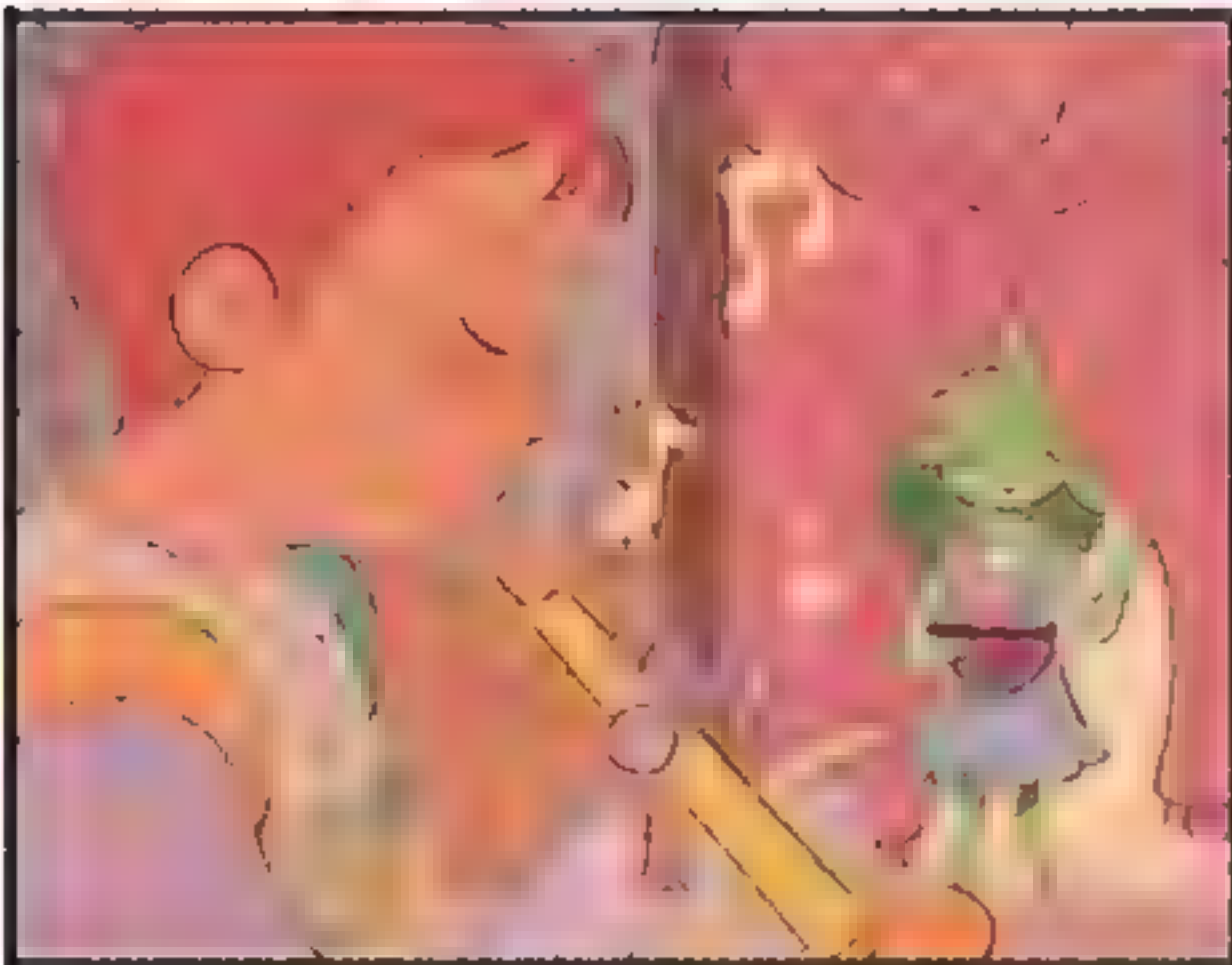
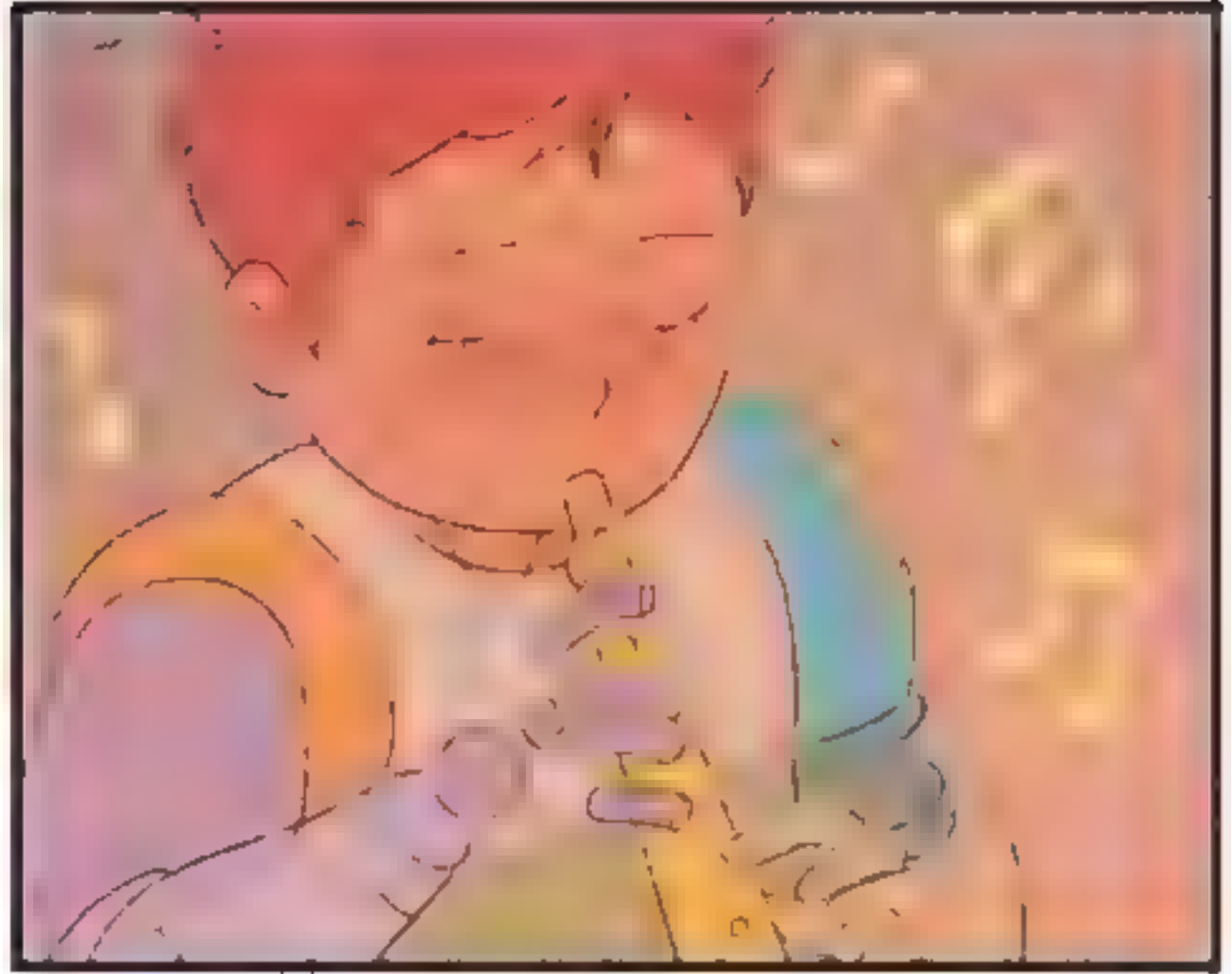
I *SHOULD* BE
HELPING JAX AND
OONA... UGH! I CAN
BARELY MOVE!

I'LL
GET YOU
TEA AND SOME
FLESH-PEOPLE
FOOD--THAT
SHOULD HELP.

WHEN YOU'RE
FEELING STRONGER,
WE'LL ASK IF ANYONE
KNOWS THE *SONG*
YOU'RE LOOKING
FOR.

OKAY. YEAH.

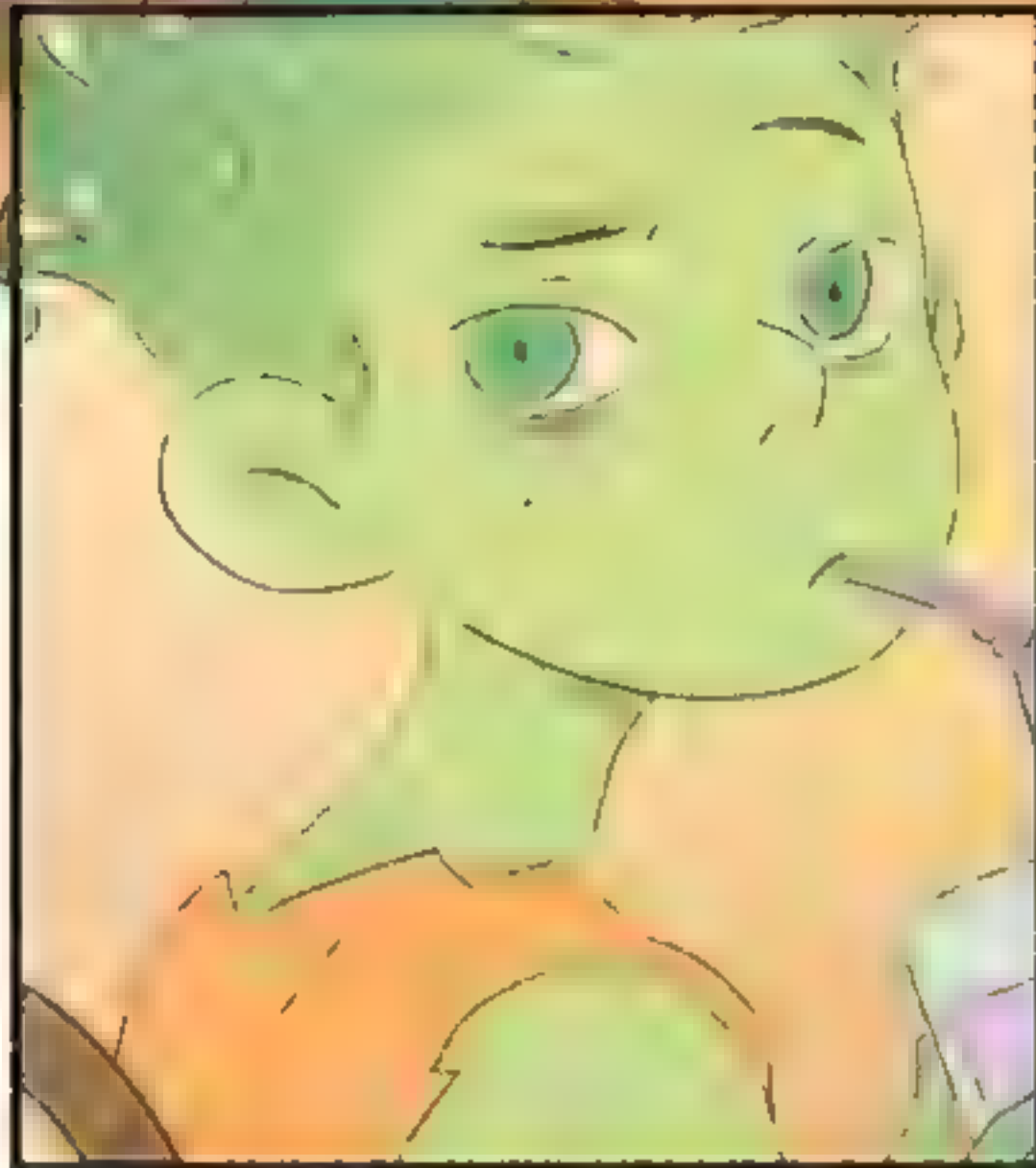






HMM...
NO, I DON'T
KNOW ABOUT THE
AMBER ANTHEM.
PLUS NOW MY
HEARING ISN'T
WHAT IT USED
TO BE.

I COULD
TAKE YOU TO **ASH**,
THOUGH-HE KNOWS
ALL KINDS OF
MUSIC.



ARE YOU
THE AN TZU? THE
ONE WHO HELPED
OONA LEE LIGHT
THE BEACONS?

THAT'S ME!



YOU'RE A **HERO** TO
ALL US **HALF-SAPS**!
YOU'RE LOOKING
FOR THE **AMBER**
ANTHEM? SORRY,
I OVERHEARD...

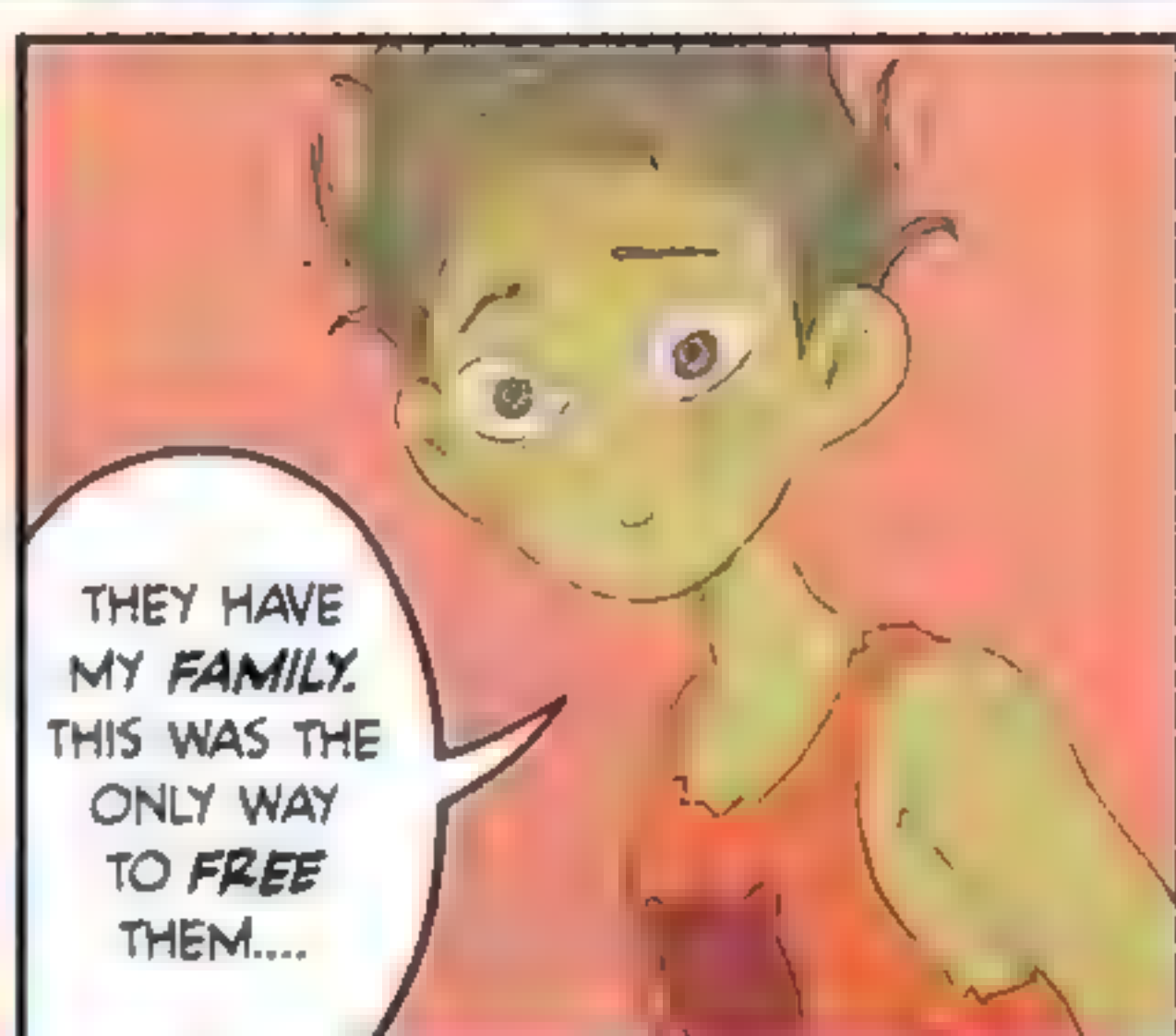
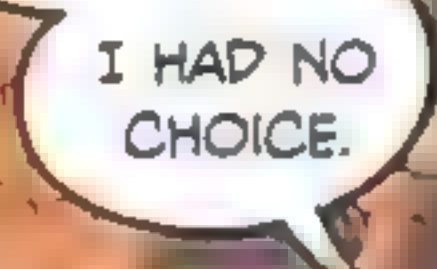
YES! CAN
YOU HELP?



I KNOW JUST
THE PERSON TO ASK!
HE HAS A MUSIC STAND
AT THE MAIN MARKET.

I'LL TAKE
YOU THERE!





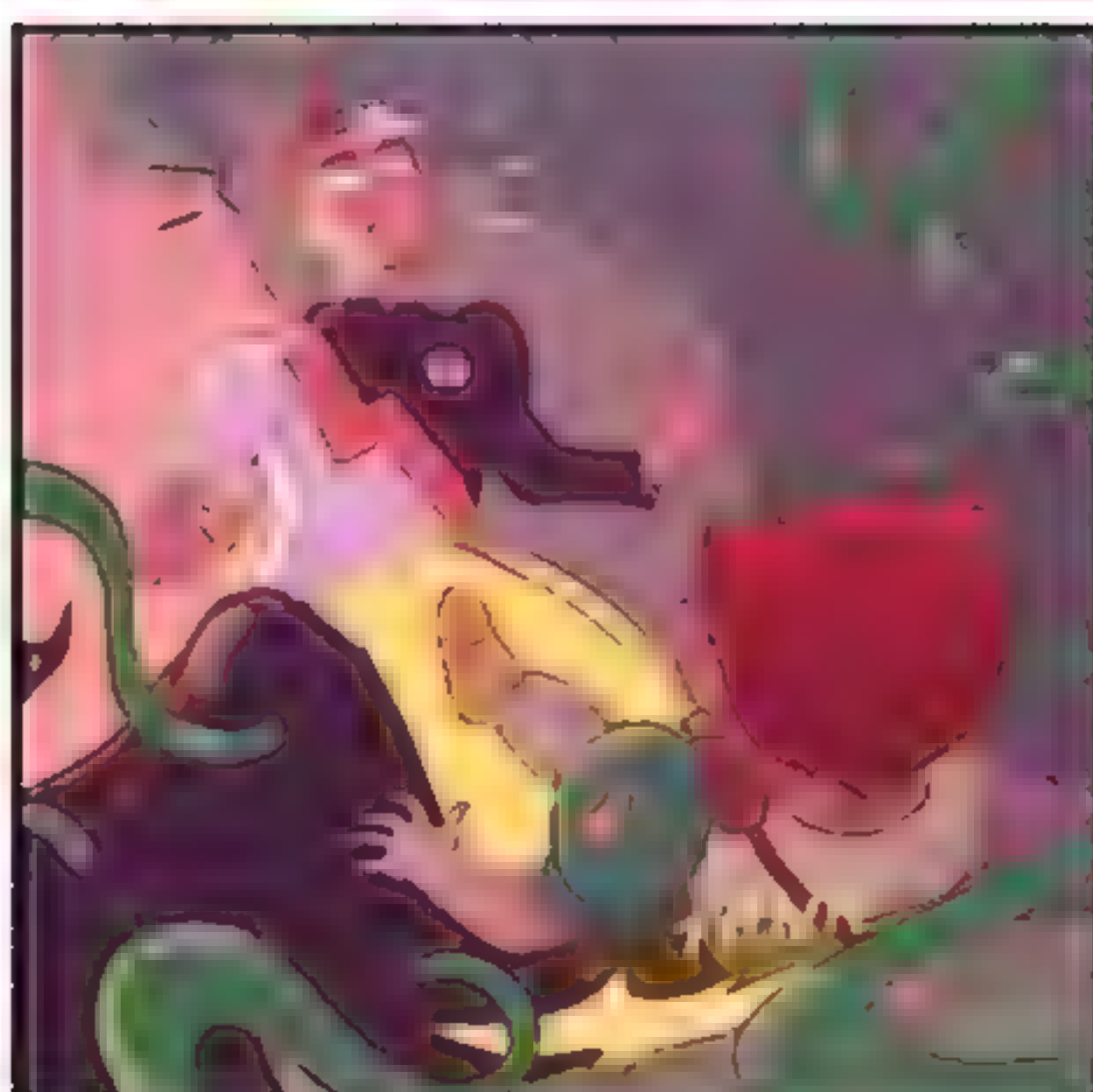
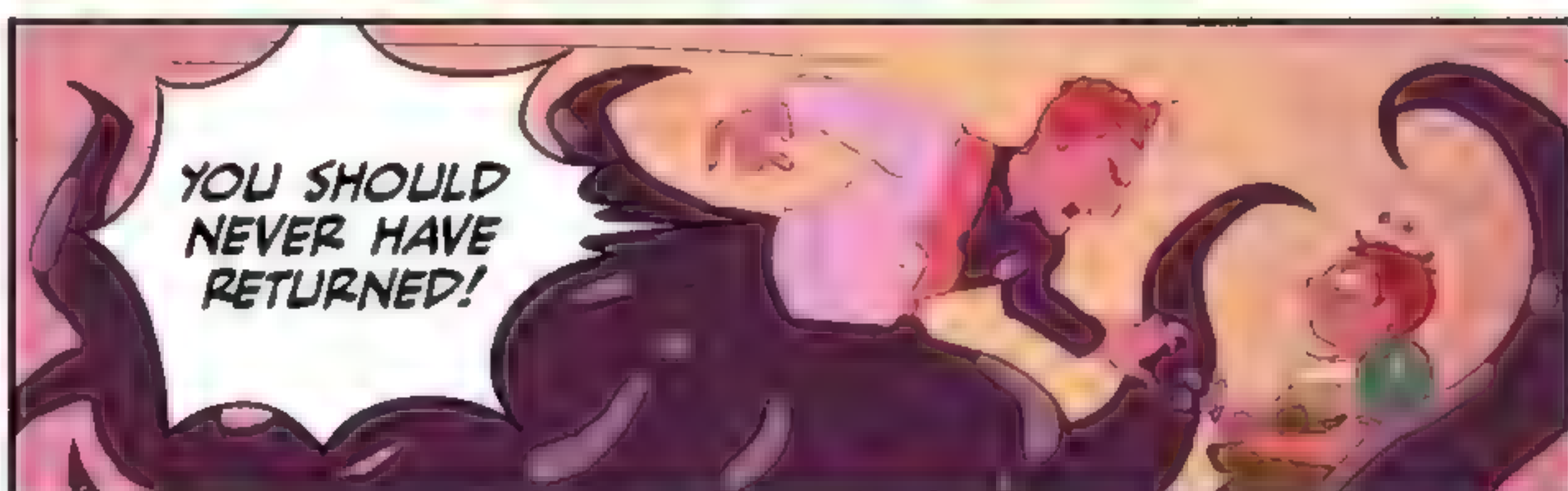


SO YOU AND
YOUR **SAND DANCER**
FRIEND THINK YOU
CAN **DEFY** ME...?
IT STOPS NOW.

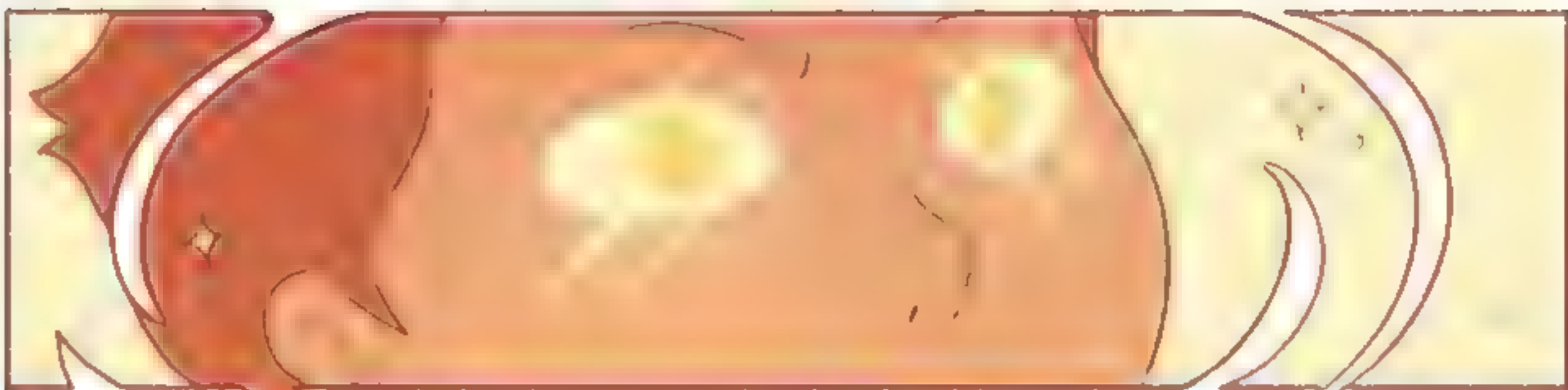


NO MORE
BEACONS
GETTING LIT.

EVERY TIME
ONE TURNS ON,
HUMANS GET FILLED
WITH **HOPE** AND
STOP OBEYING
ME.











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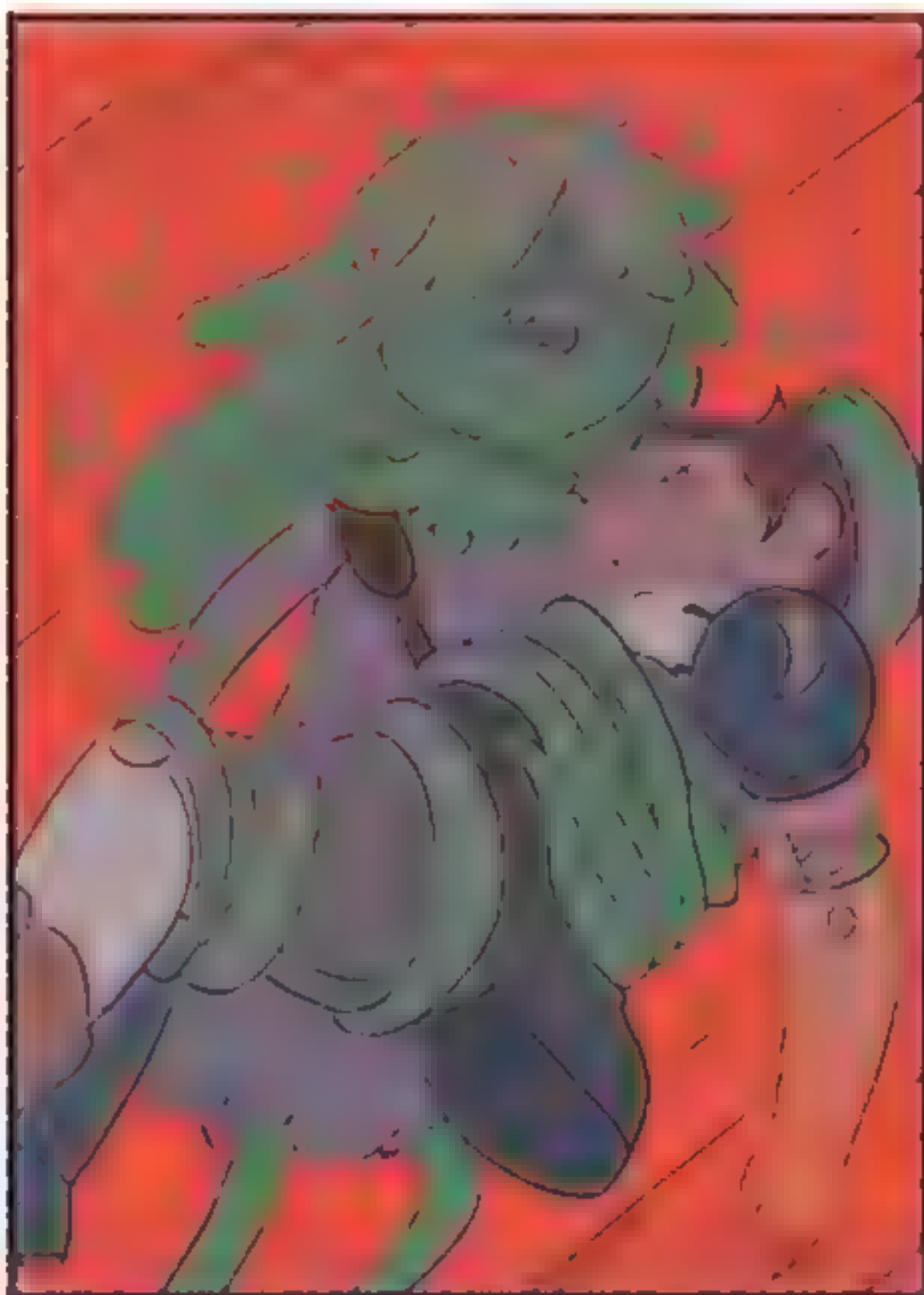
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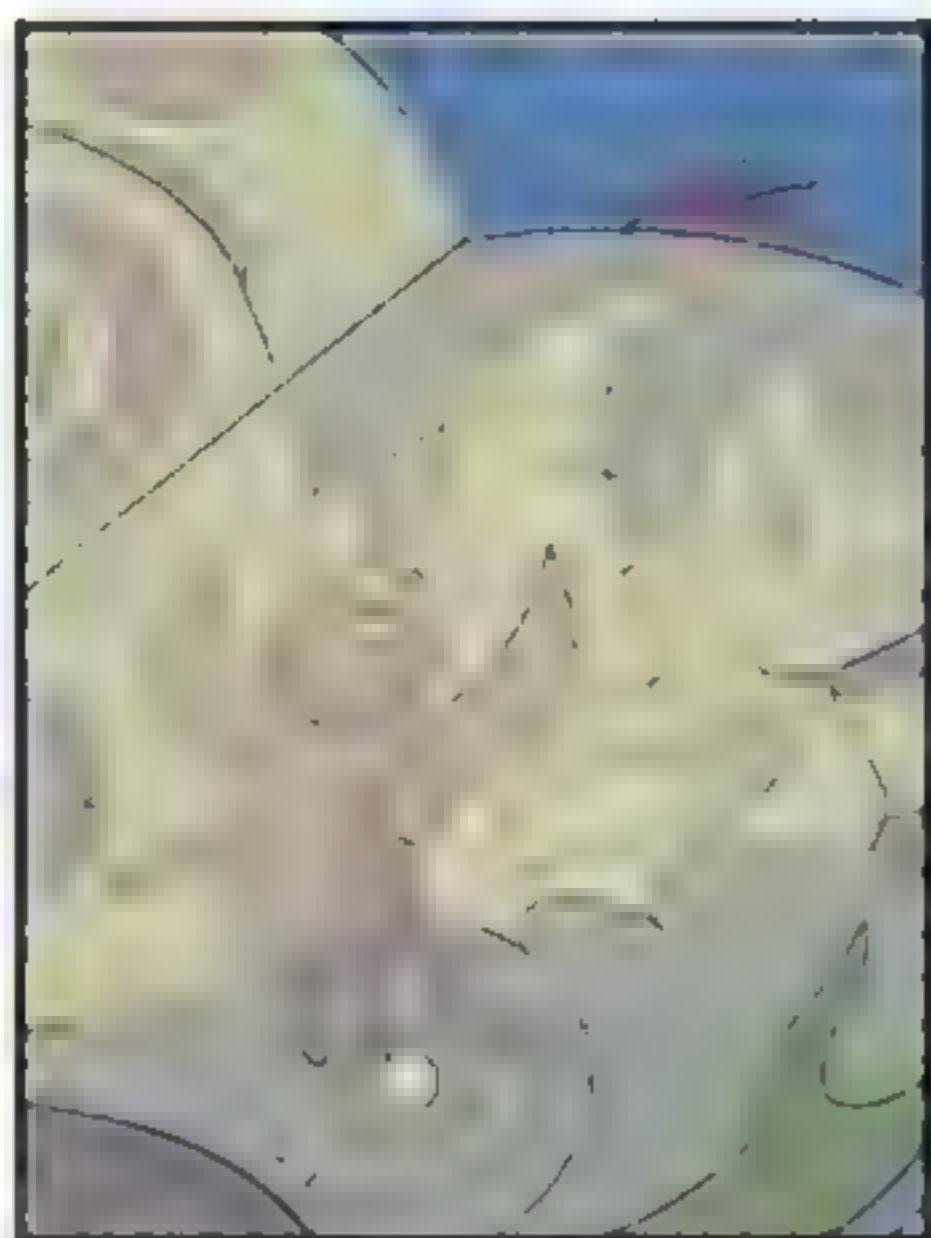
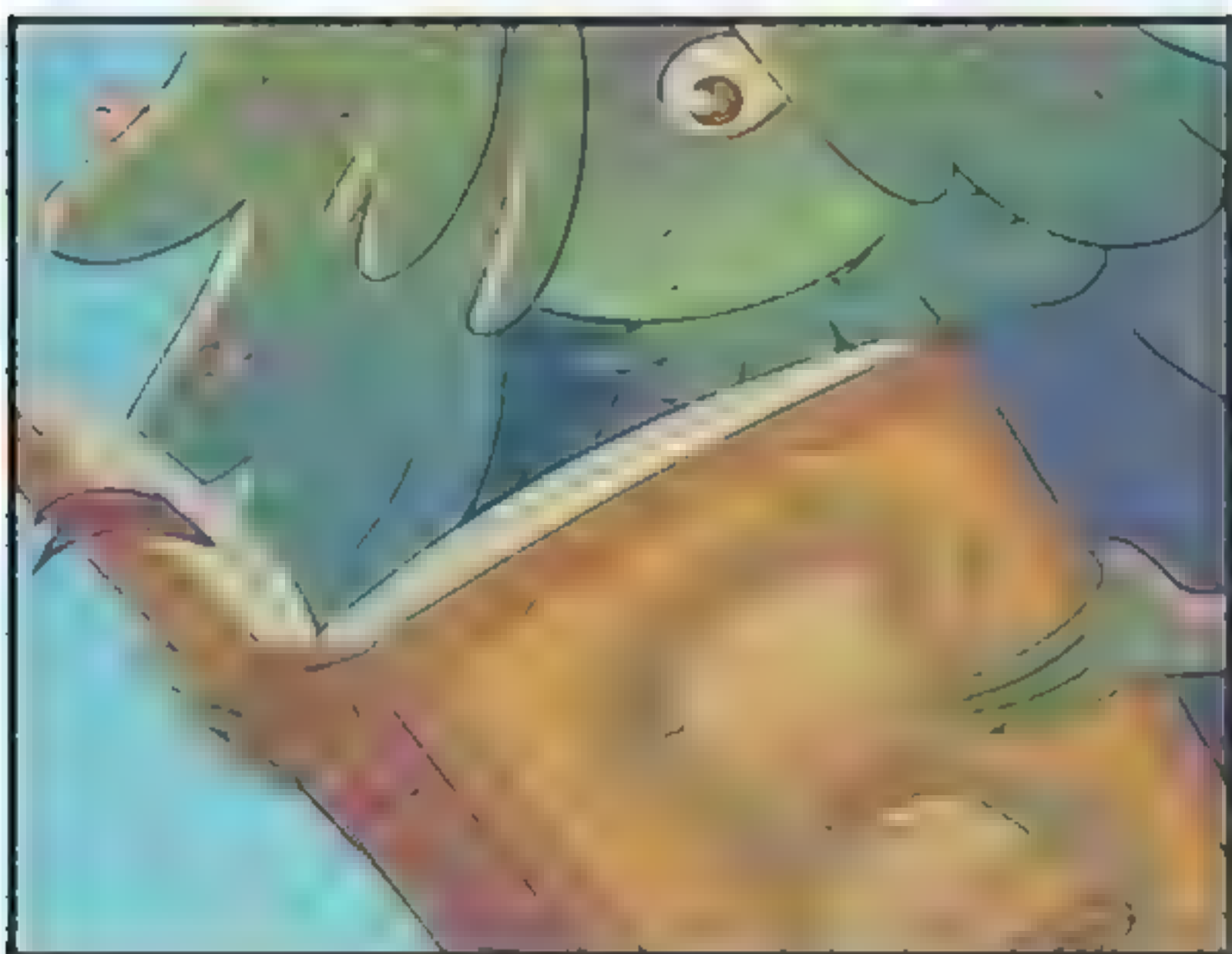
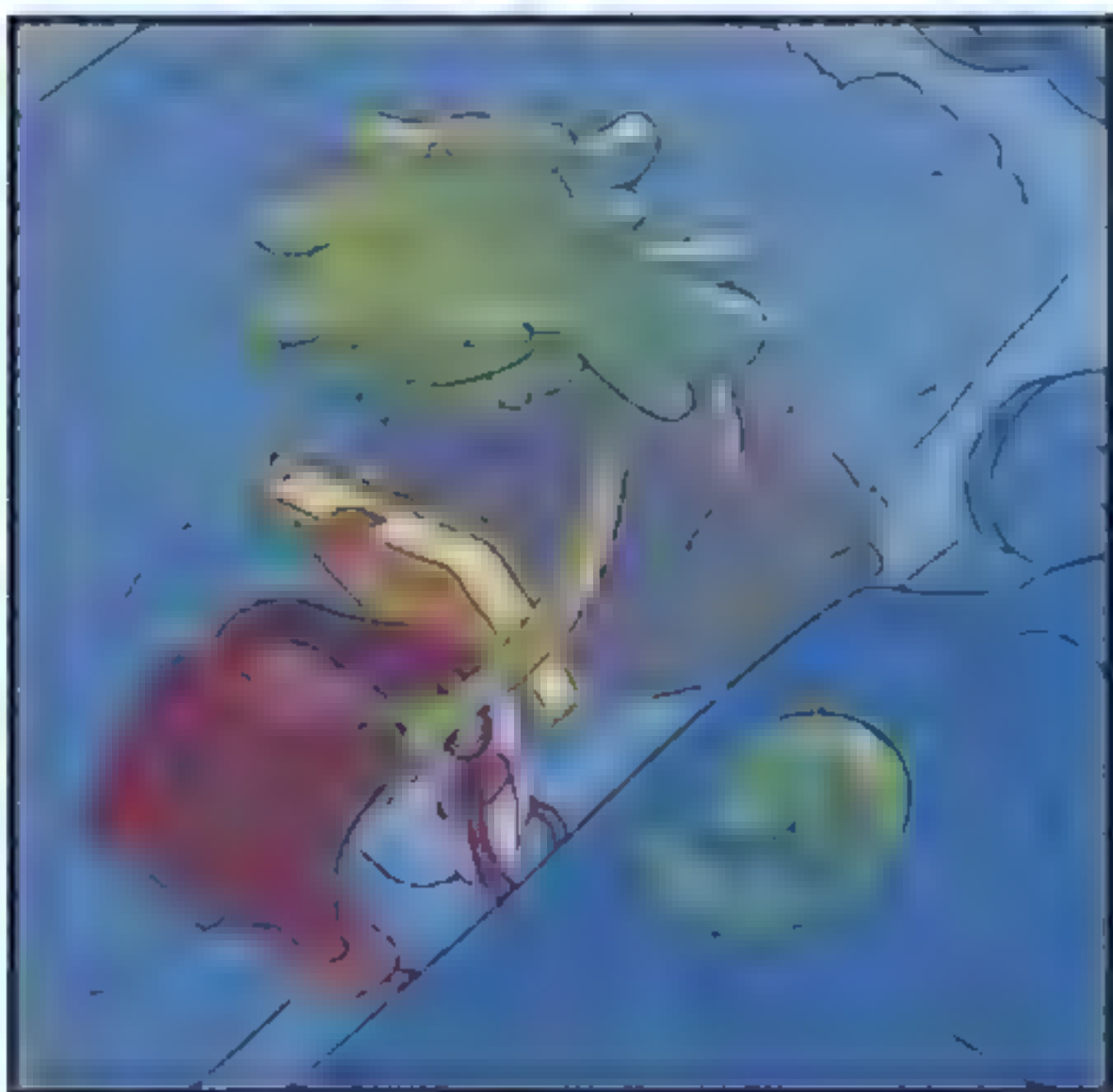
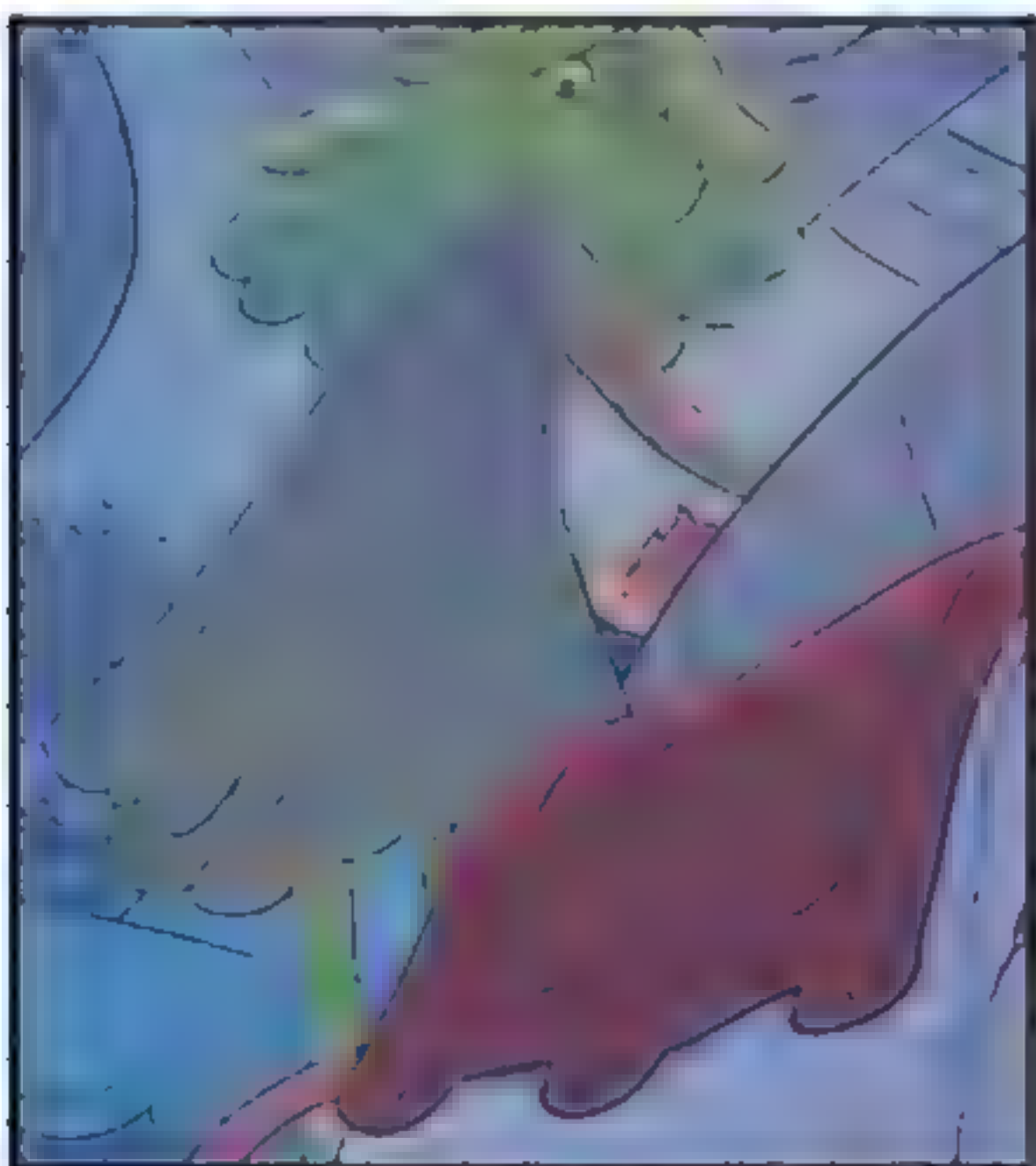
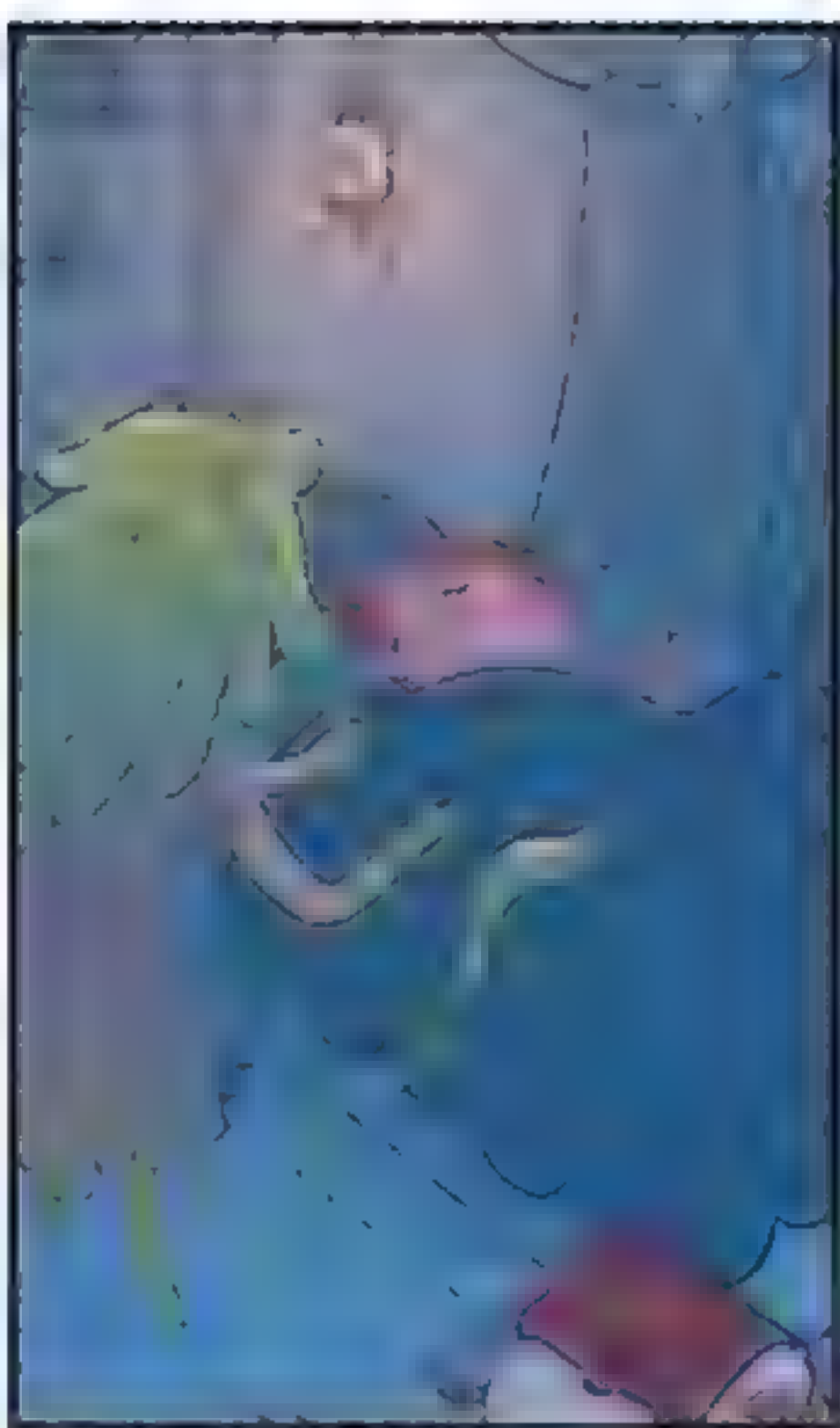
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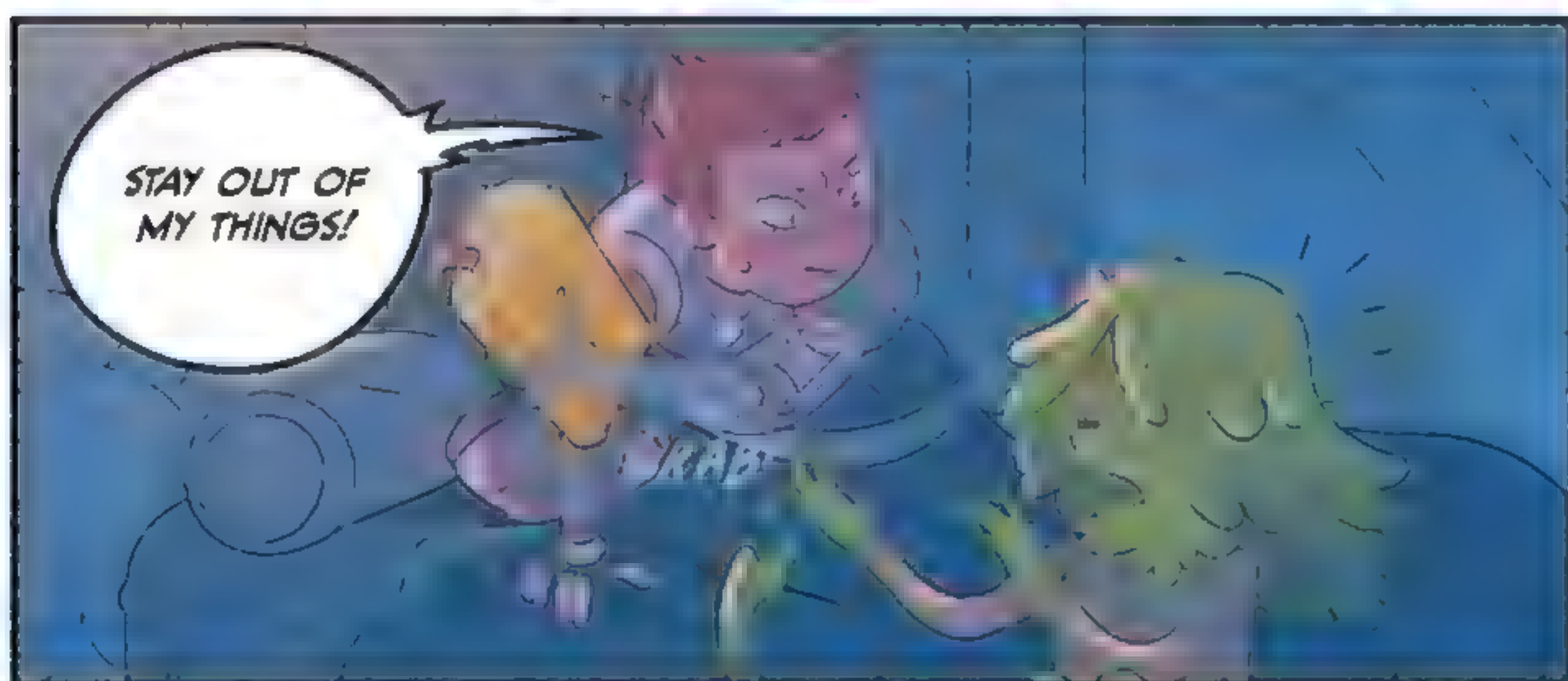
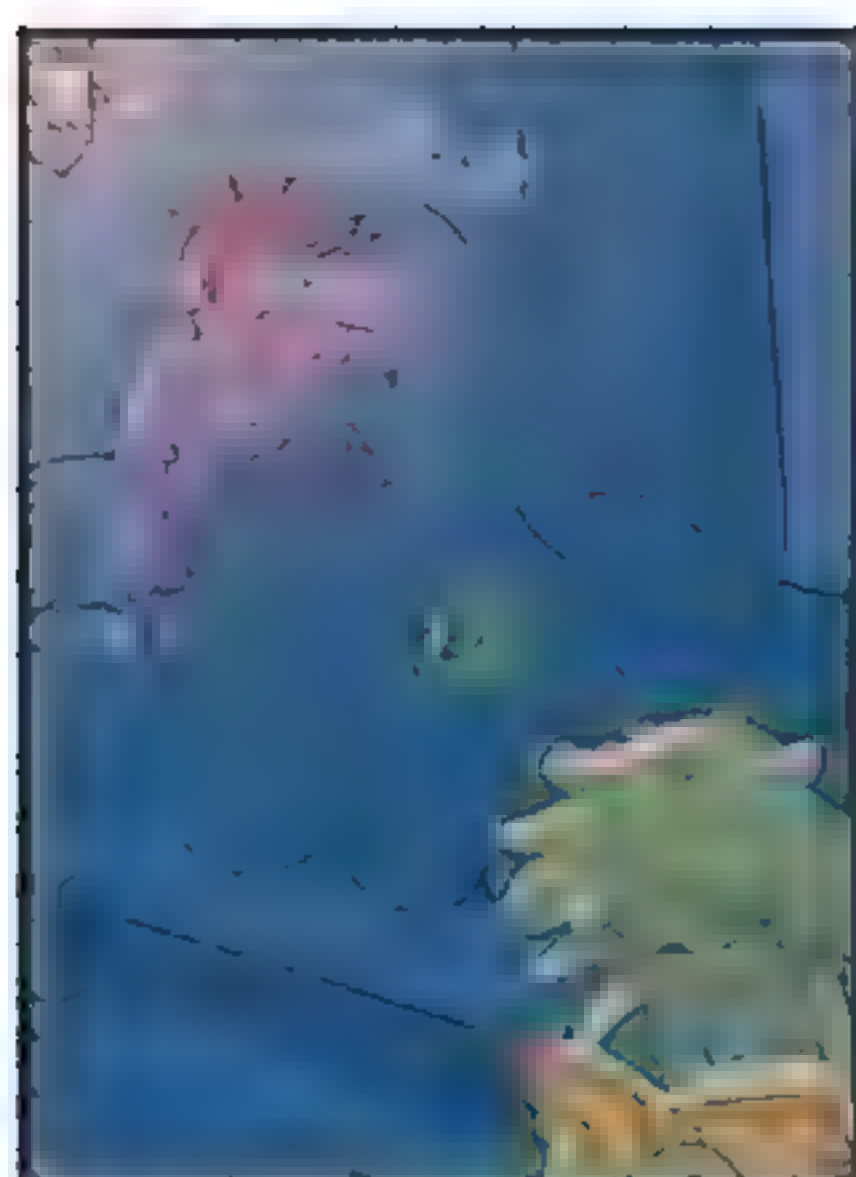


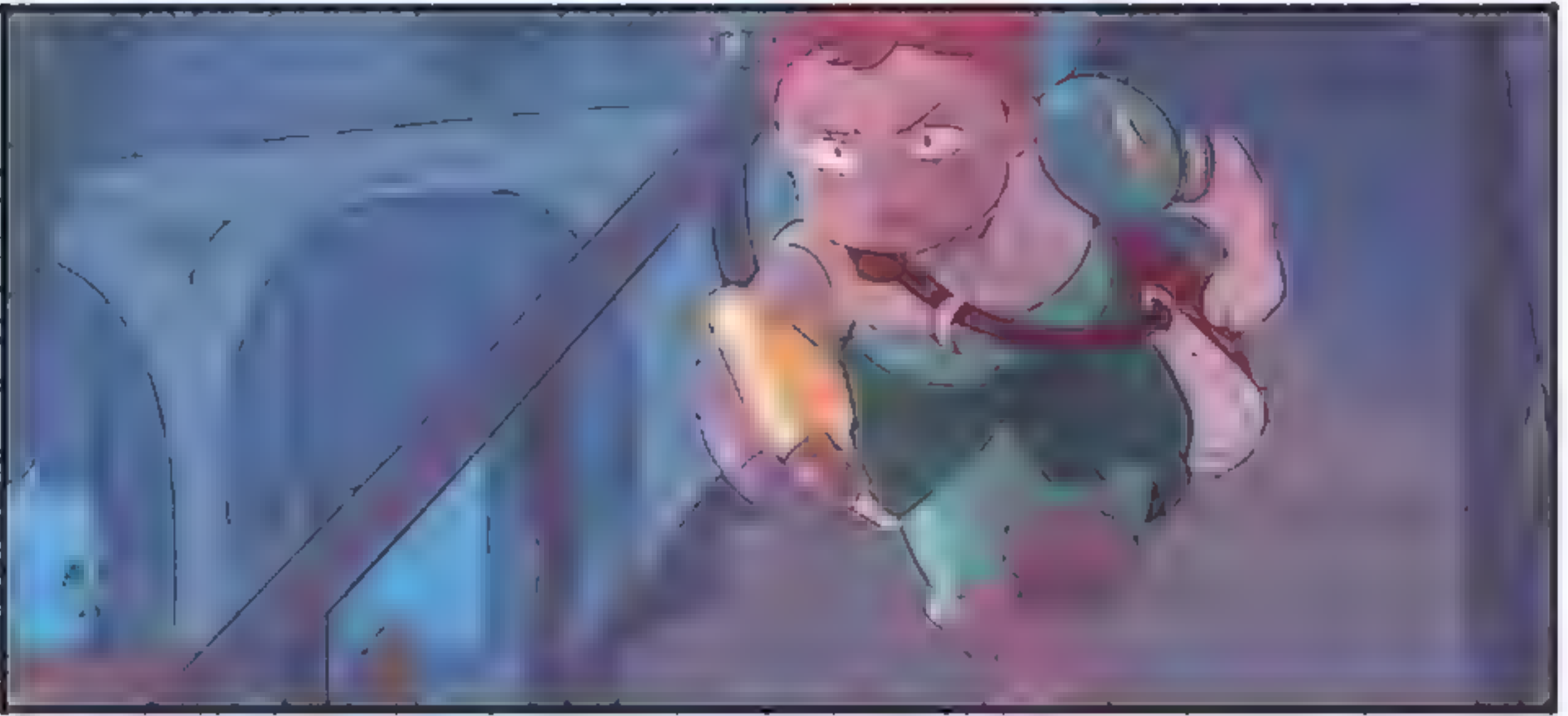












Chapter 8

THE KILLER STRIKES

MEANWHILE, BACK AT
STARBALLA RAMBLA...





REALLY?
YOU KNOW
THE ANTHEM?
LET'S HEAR IT!



LET'S GO, LEATHERHEADS!
WE'RE ON THE ROAD TO
GLORY! AMBER, AMBER,
AMBER ALL THE WAY!



I LOVE THE
SPIRIT, GUYS,
BUT THAT'S NOT
THE **AMBER**
ANTHEM I
WAS LOOKING
FOR....



HE'S AN INGRATE!
BITING THE HAND
THAT FEEDS HIM!

HE SHOULD
JUST STICK TO
TRIPLE VAULTS
AND STARBALL--



...AND
LEAVE BEACON
BUSINESS TO
THOSE WHO
KNOW WHAT
THEY'RE DOING!



PEET BOWL'S
RIGHT! STICK
TO STARBALL,
JAX!

HE'S TELLING
THE TRUTH!

WHAT'S ALL
THIS ABOUT,
ANYWAY?

HE'S
FALLEN
FOR A
HOAX!

LET JAX
SPEAK!

ENOUGH
WITH ALL
THIS BEACON
NONSENSE!
WE'RE HERE FOR
STARBALL!

GUYS! STOP!

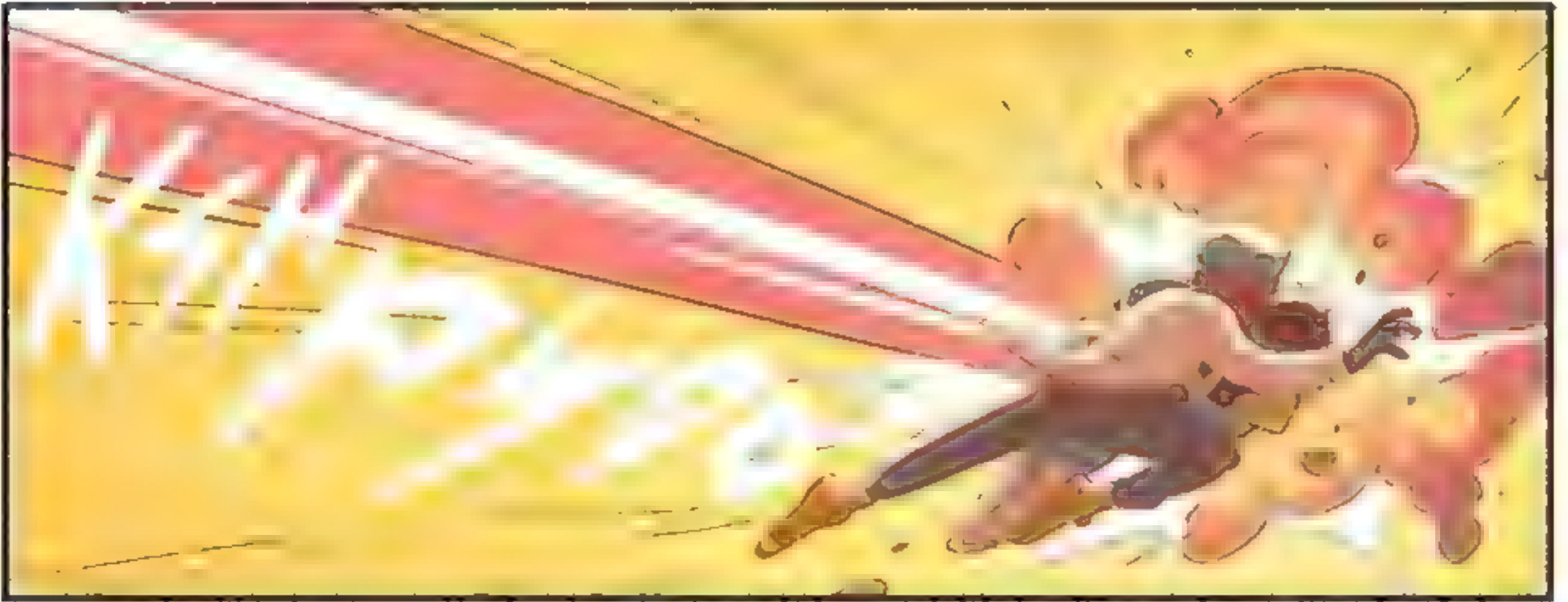
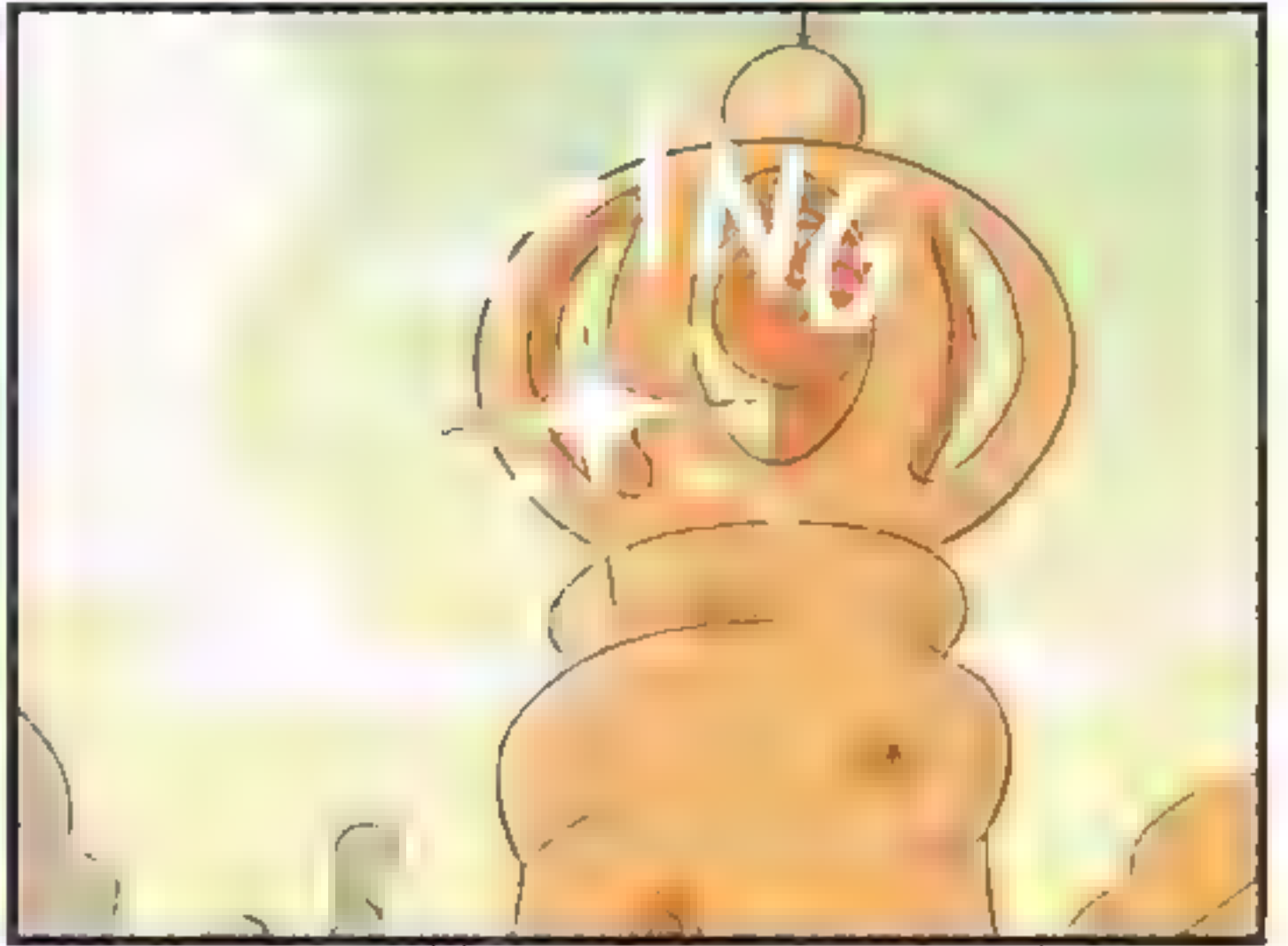
MY FRIENDS,
LISTEN!

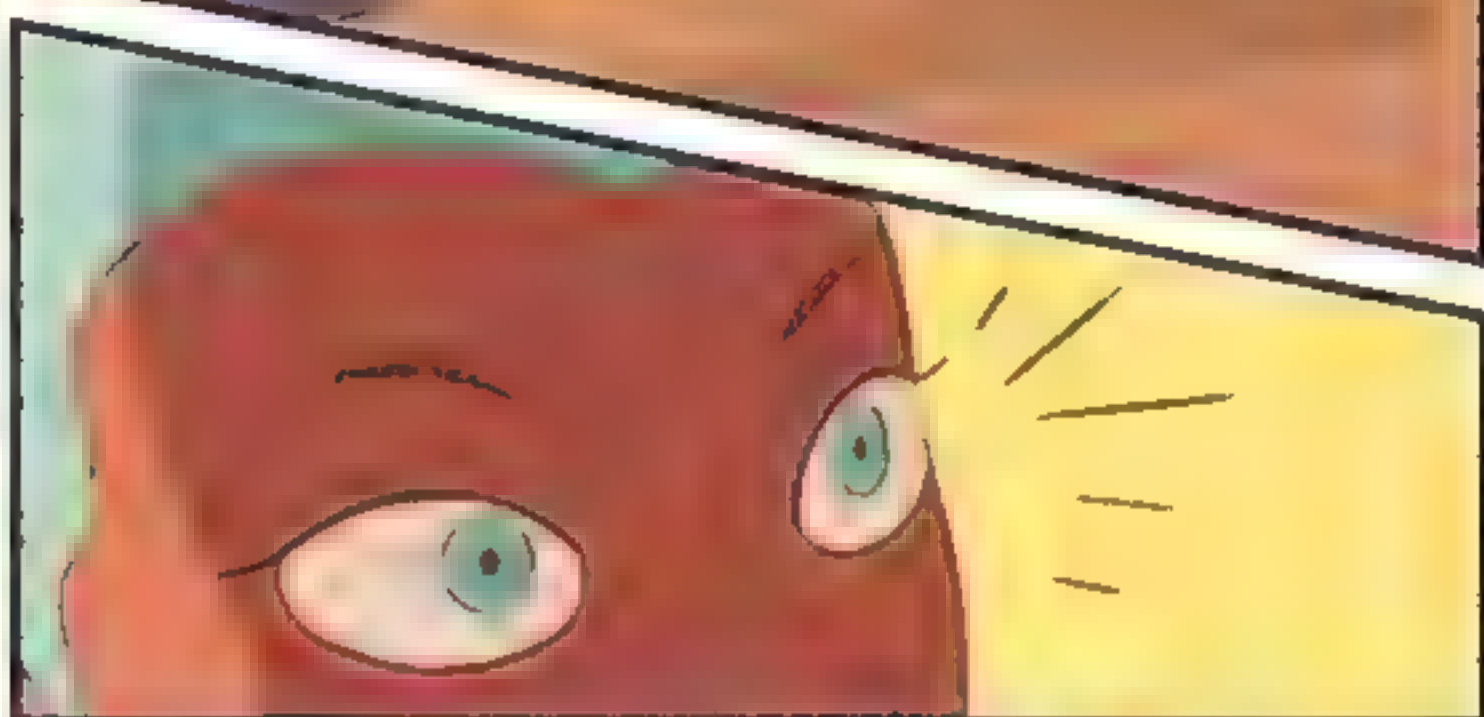


I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
TO DO WITH
THESE PEOPLE,
RAM SAM SAM.

MAYBE OONA WILL
HAVE A BETTER IDEA.
CAN YOU HELP ME
FIND HER?

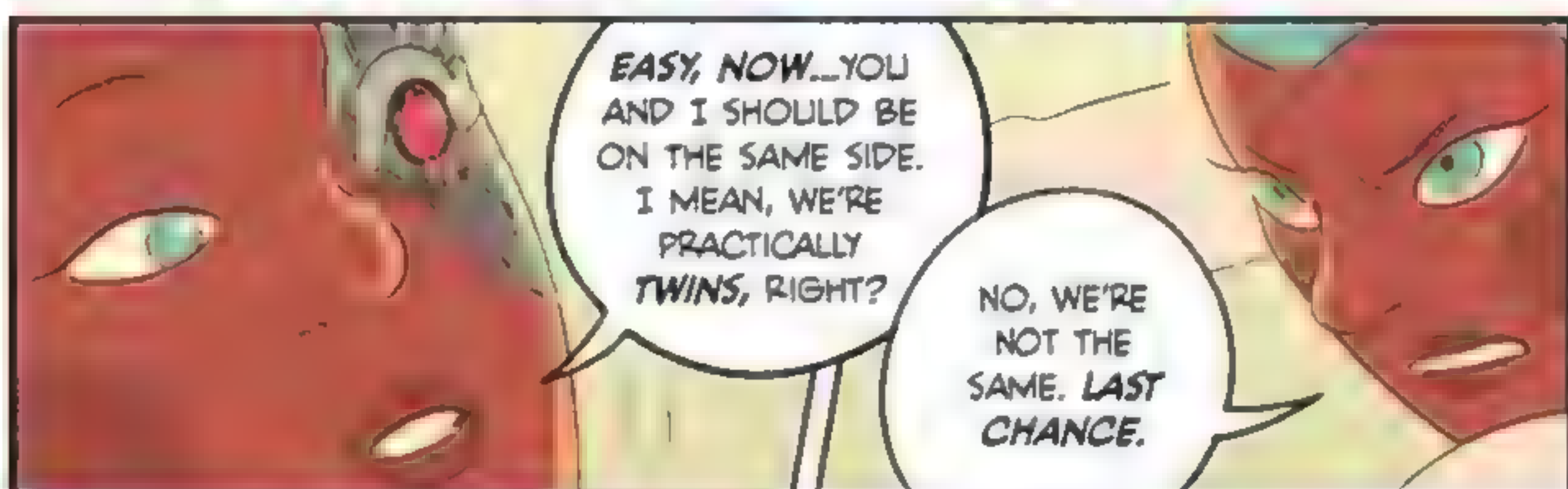
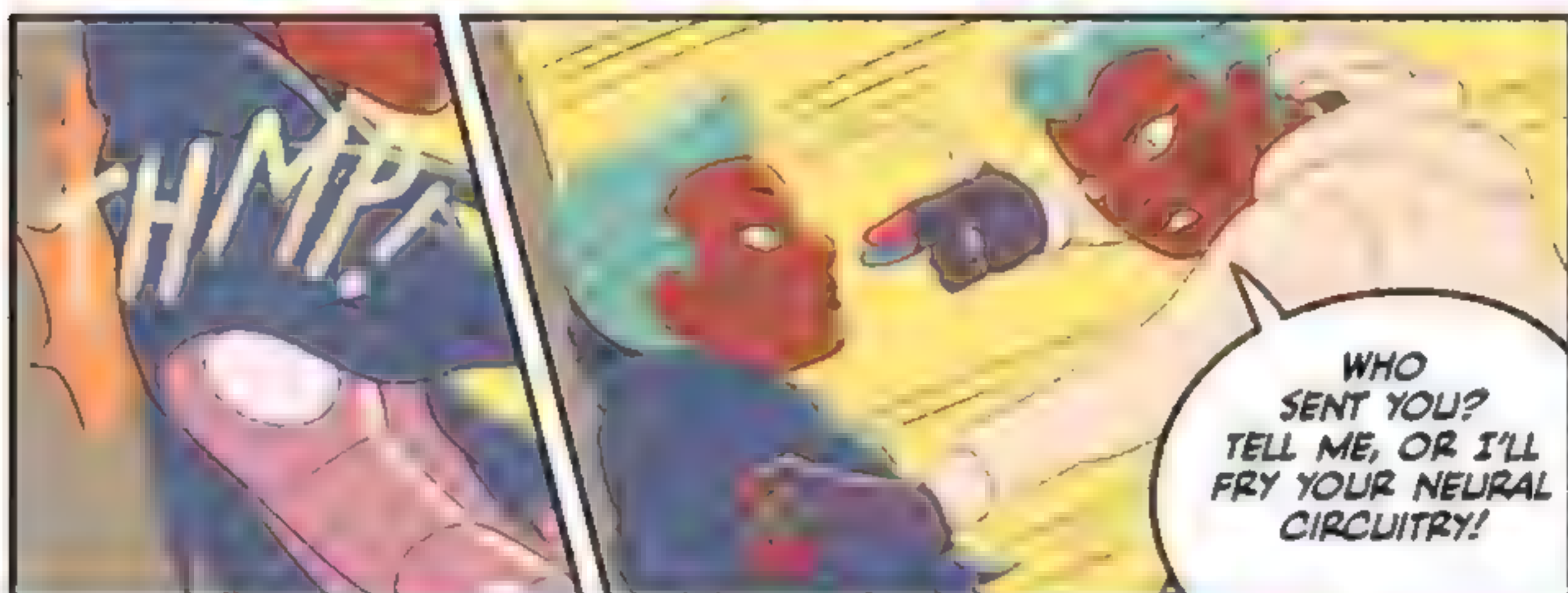






SLAM!!











Chapter 9

AN ANCIENT GRIEVANCE

...WE HAVEN'T SEEN
CASCADELLE SINCE HER
FAREWELL CONCERT.
SHE COULD BE **OFF-**
WORLD. BUT I'LL DO
MY BEST TO GET A
MESSAGE TO HER.





YOU THERE!
FREEZE! YOU'RE
UNDER ARREST!



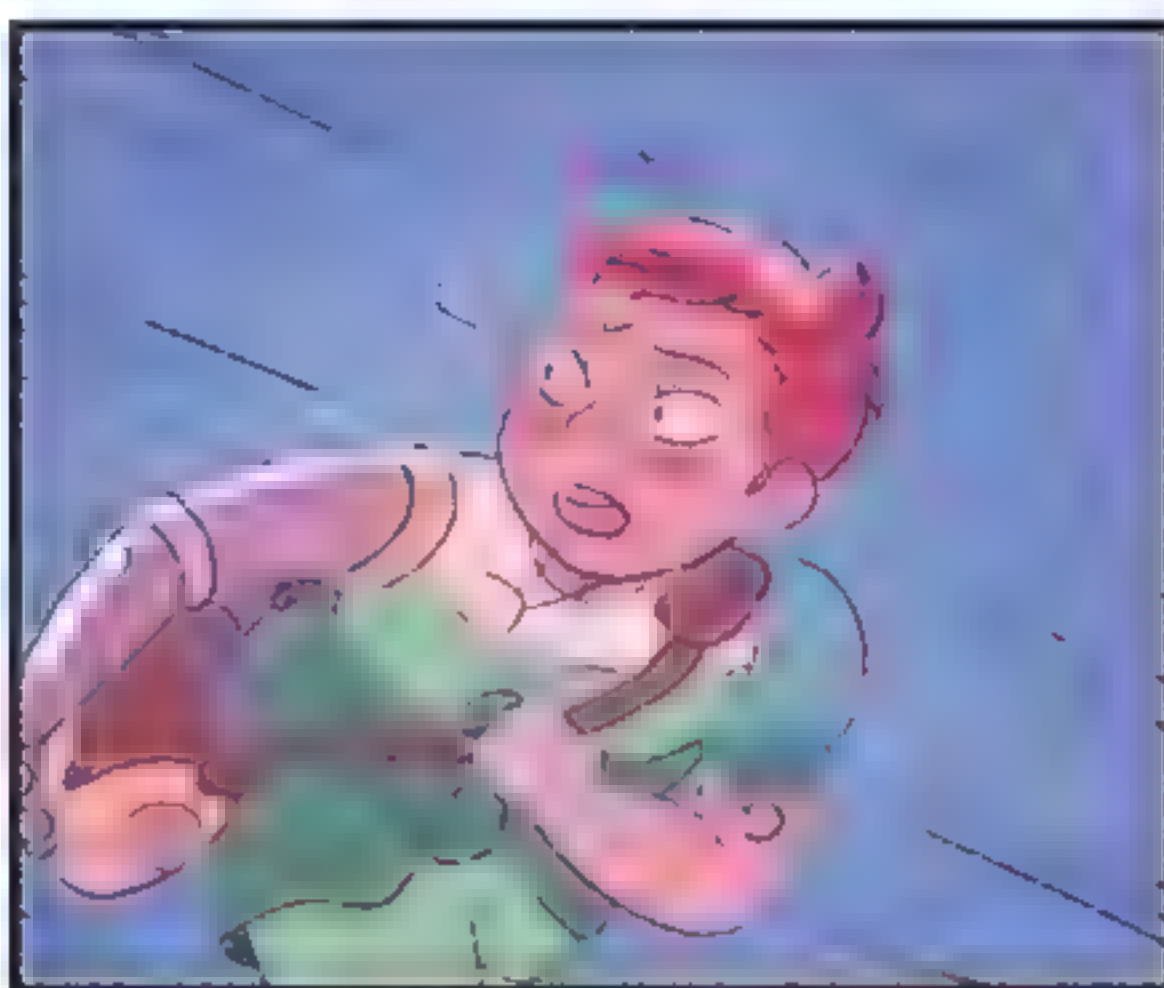
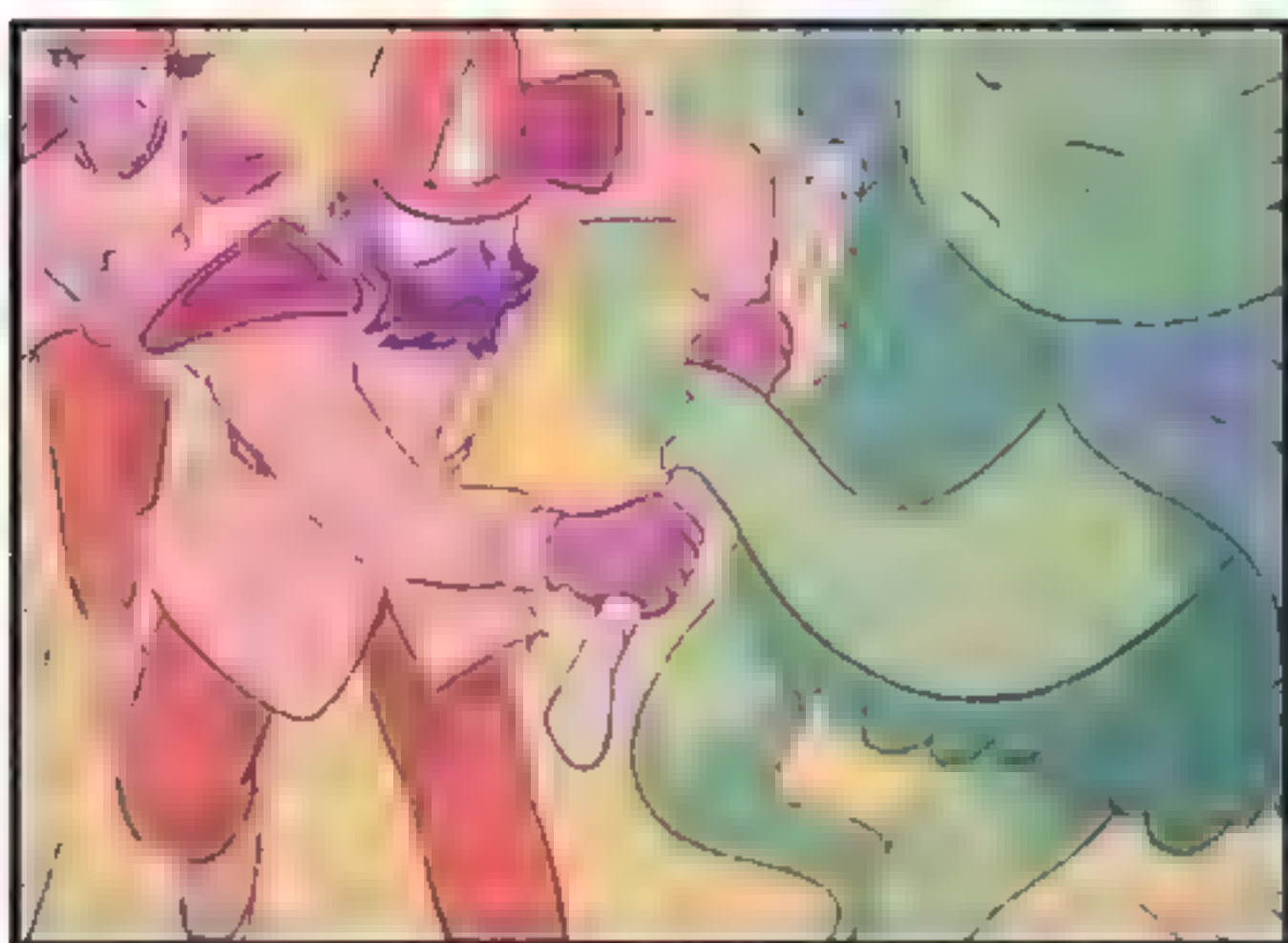
RUN
OUT THE
BACK!

NOW!

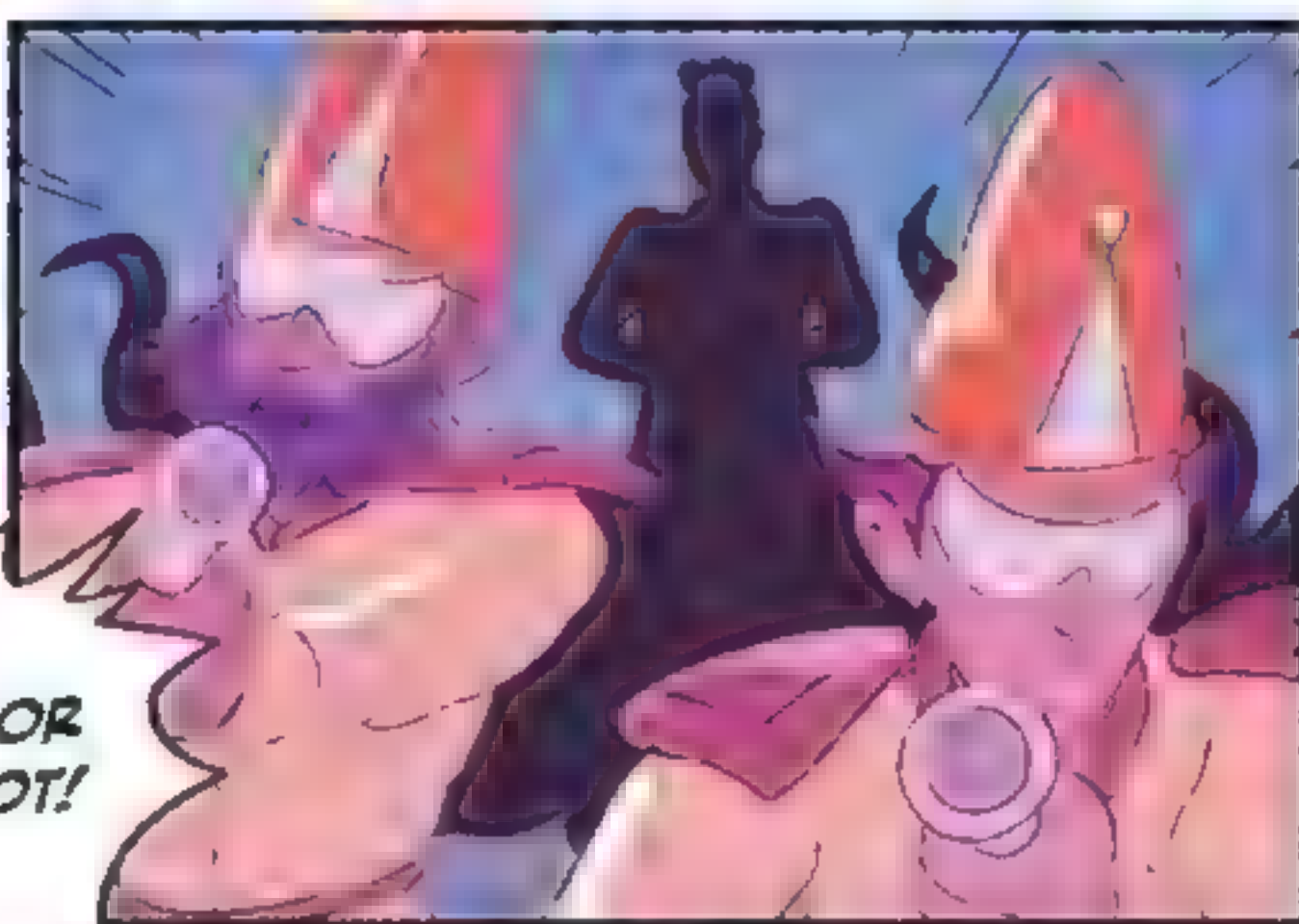


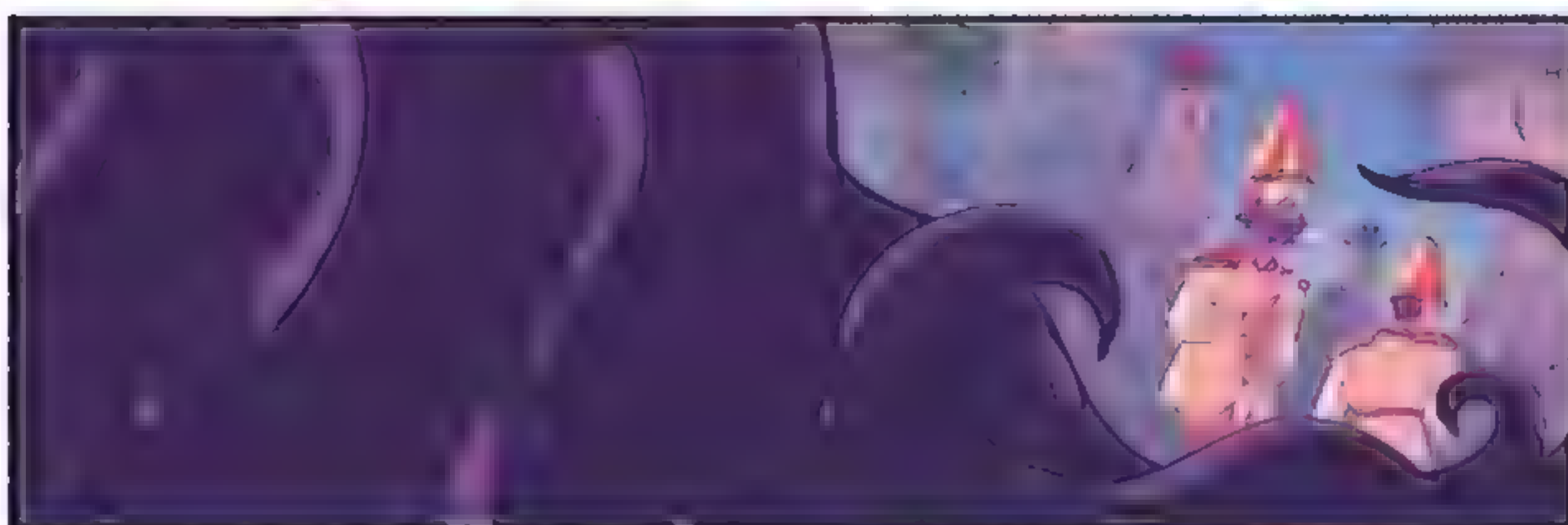
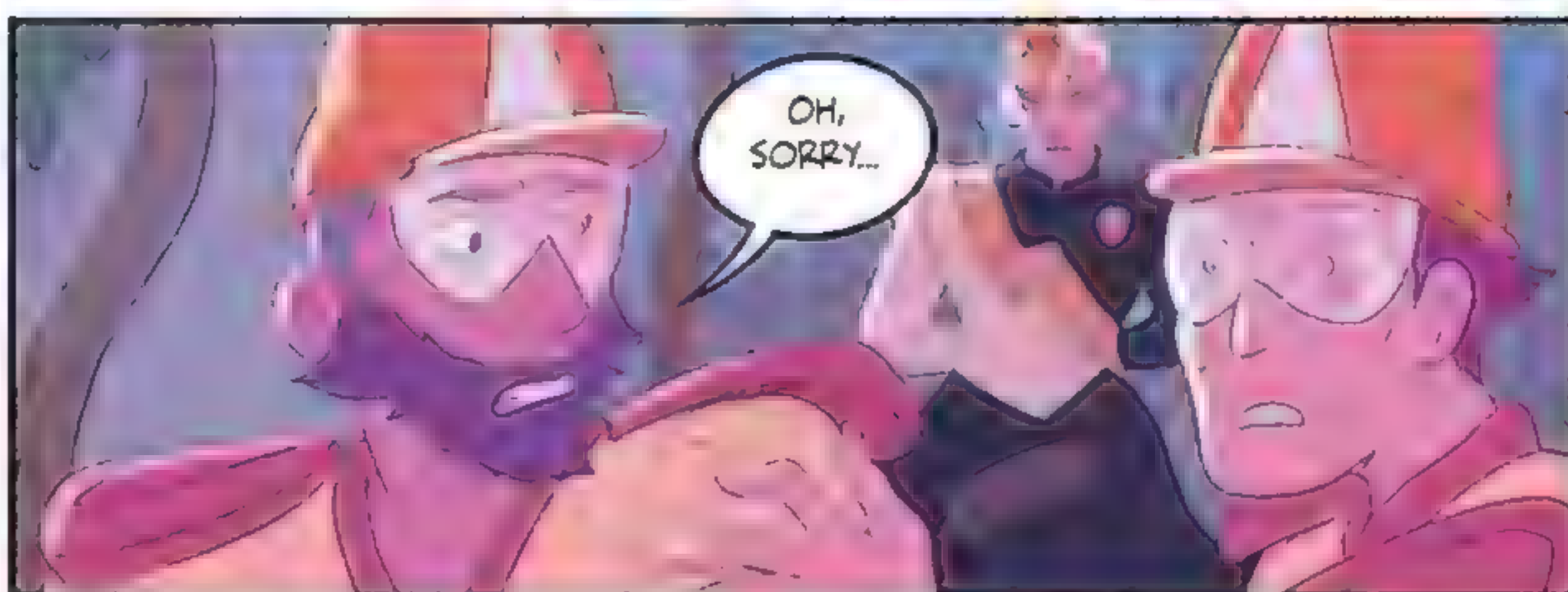
SHOW ME A
WARRANT!

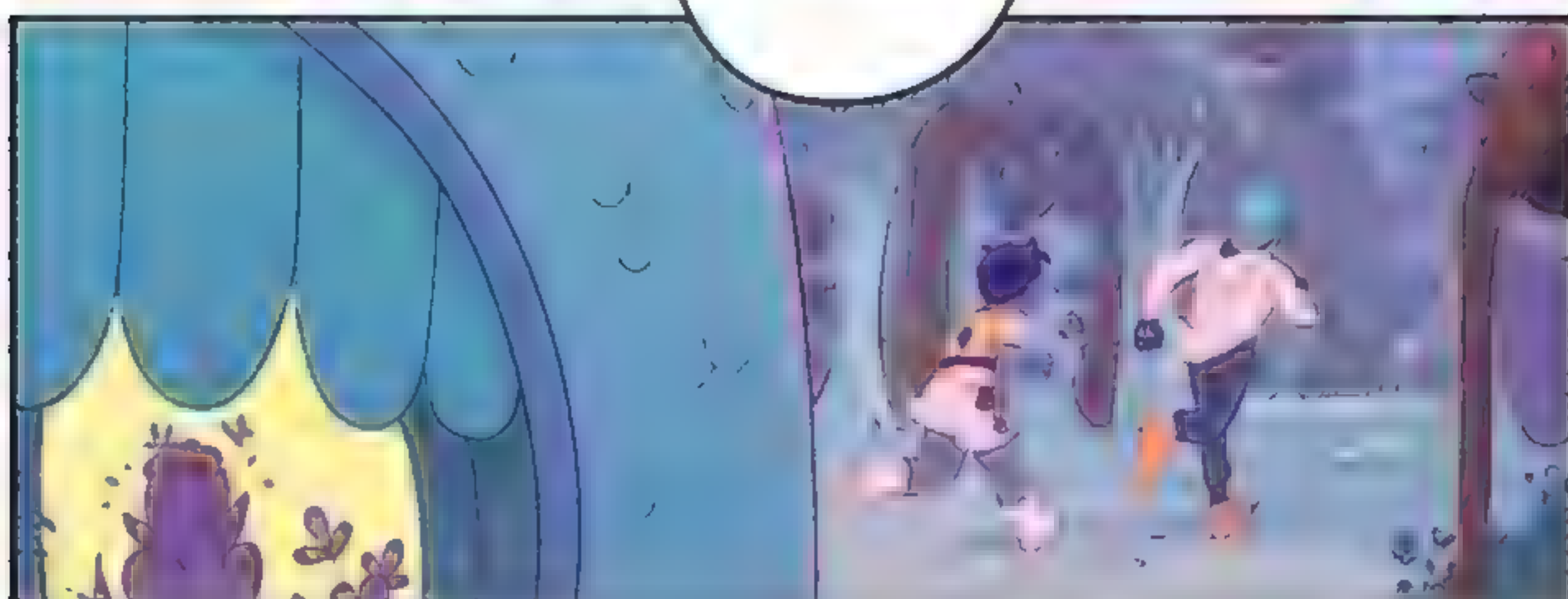
OR GET
OUT OF MY
SHOP!



HANDS UP OR
WE'LL SHOOT!





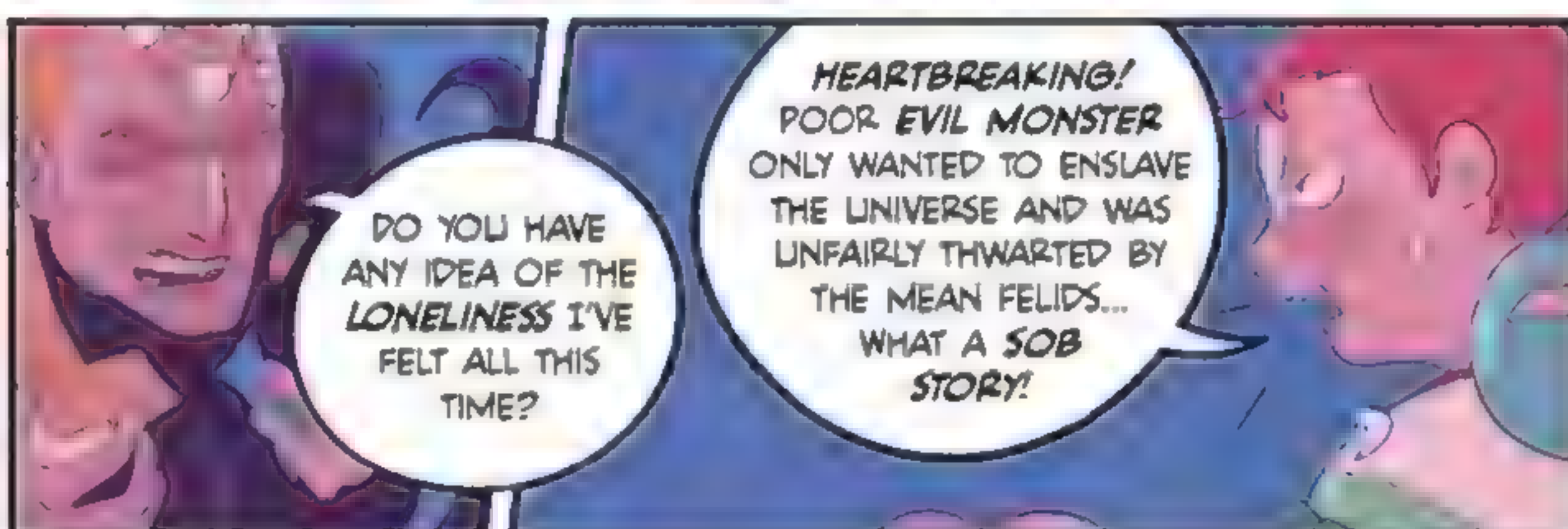


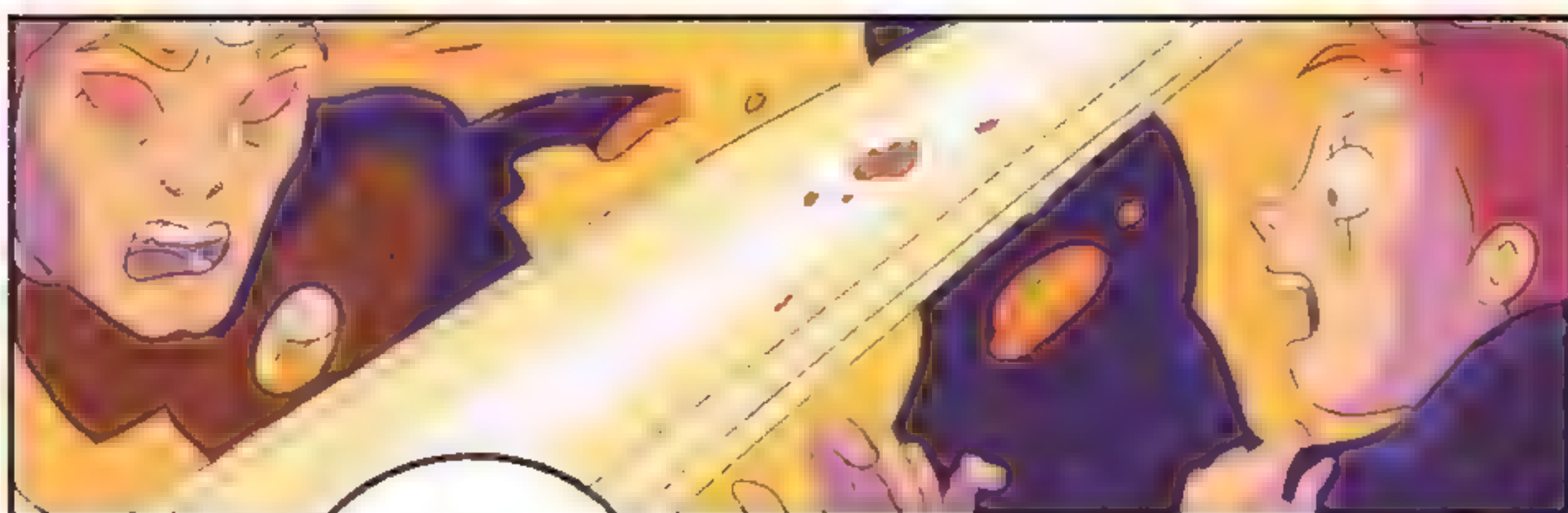


IT'S **PAYBACK TIME**
FOR THE SUFFERING
YOU AND YOUR KIND
PUT ME THROUGH. YOU
**ROBBED ME OF
MY DESTINY!**



I HAVE **NO IDEA**
WHAT YOU'RE TALKING
ABOUT. I HAD NEVER
MET YOU UNTIL YOU
CORNERED ME THE
OTHER DAY!

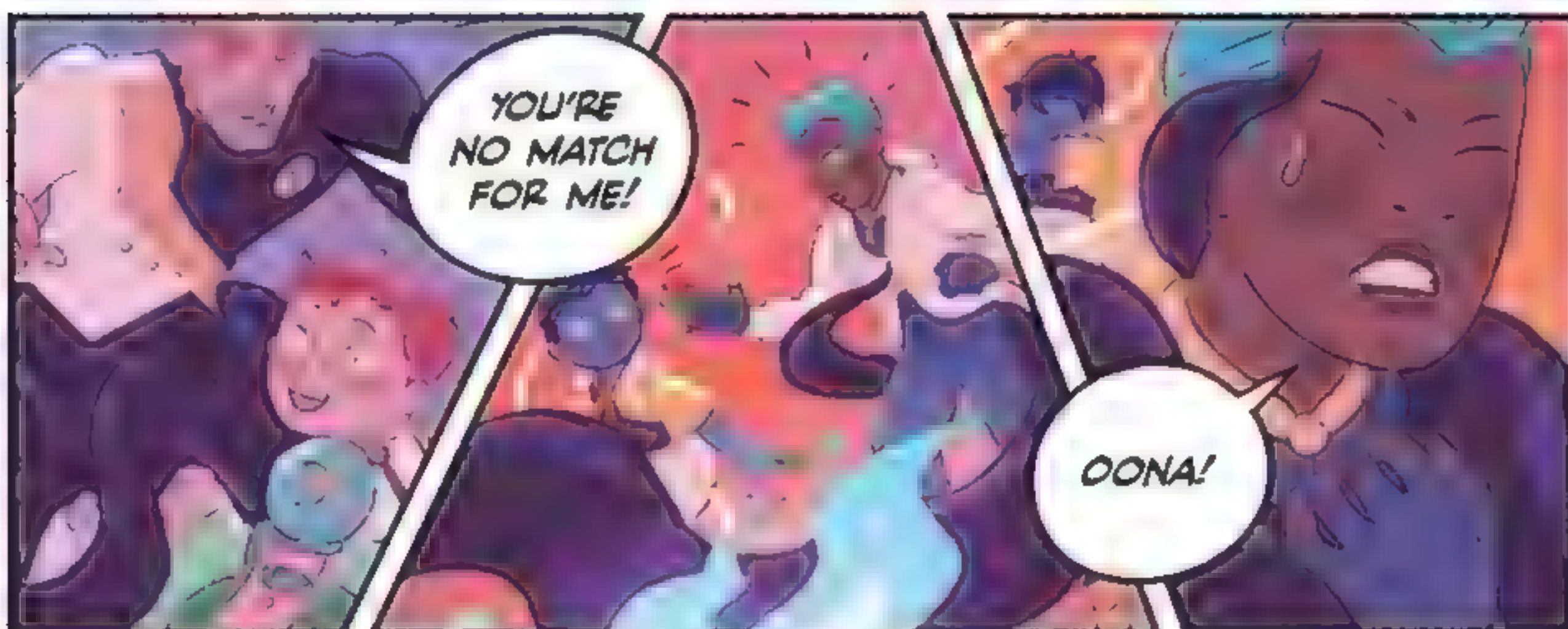




BACK OFF
OUR FRIEND,
MIMIC!



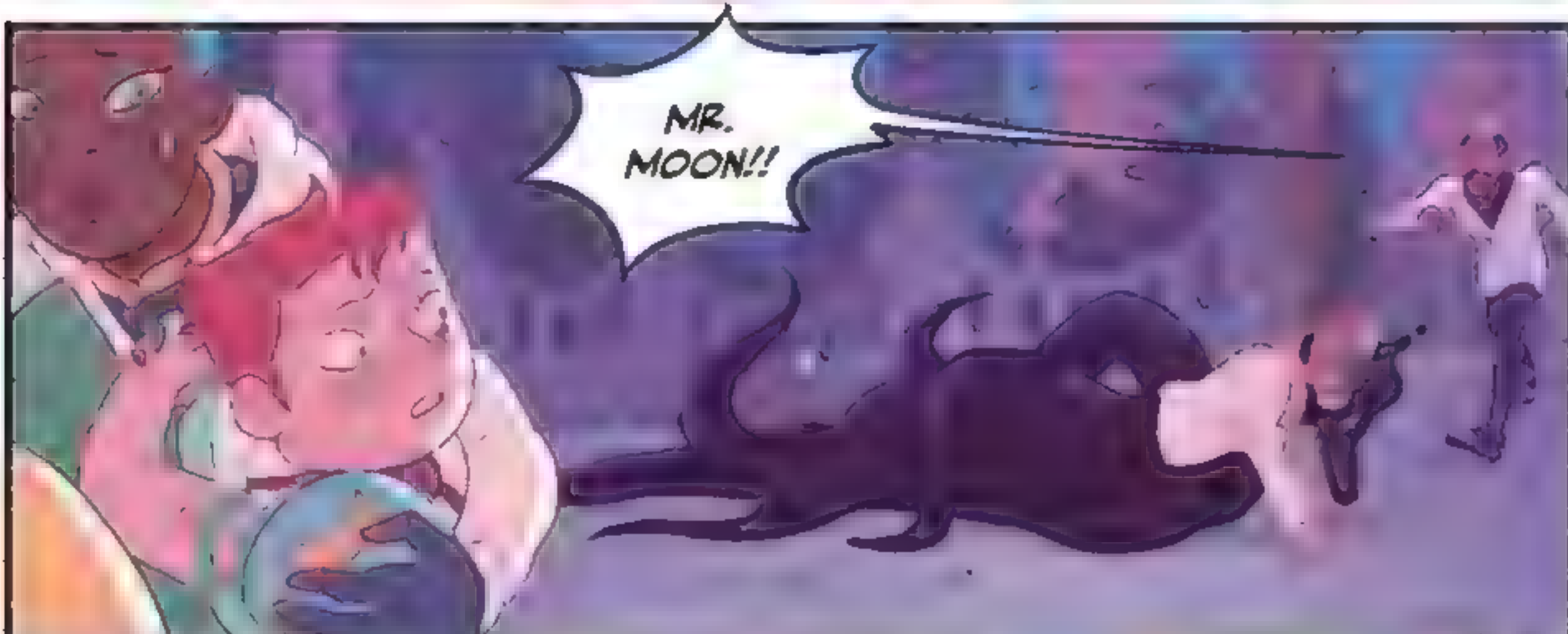
YOU'RE
NO MATCH
FOR ME!



OONA!









DEAR CITIZEN
FELDER AS
PART OF OUR
CONTINUING LIVE
COVERAGE

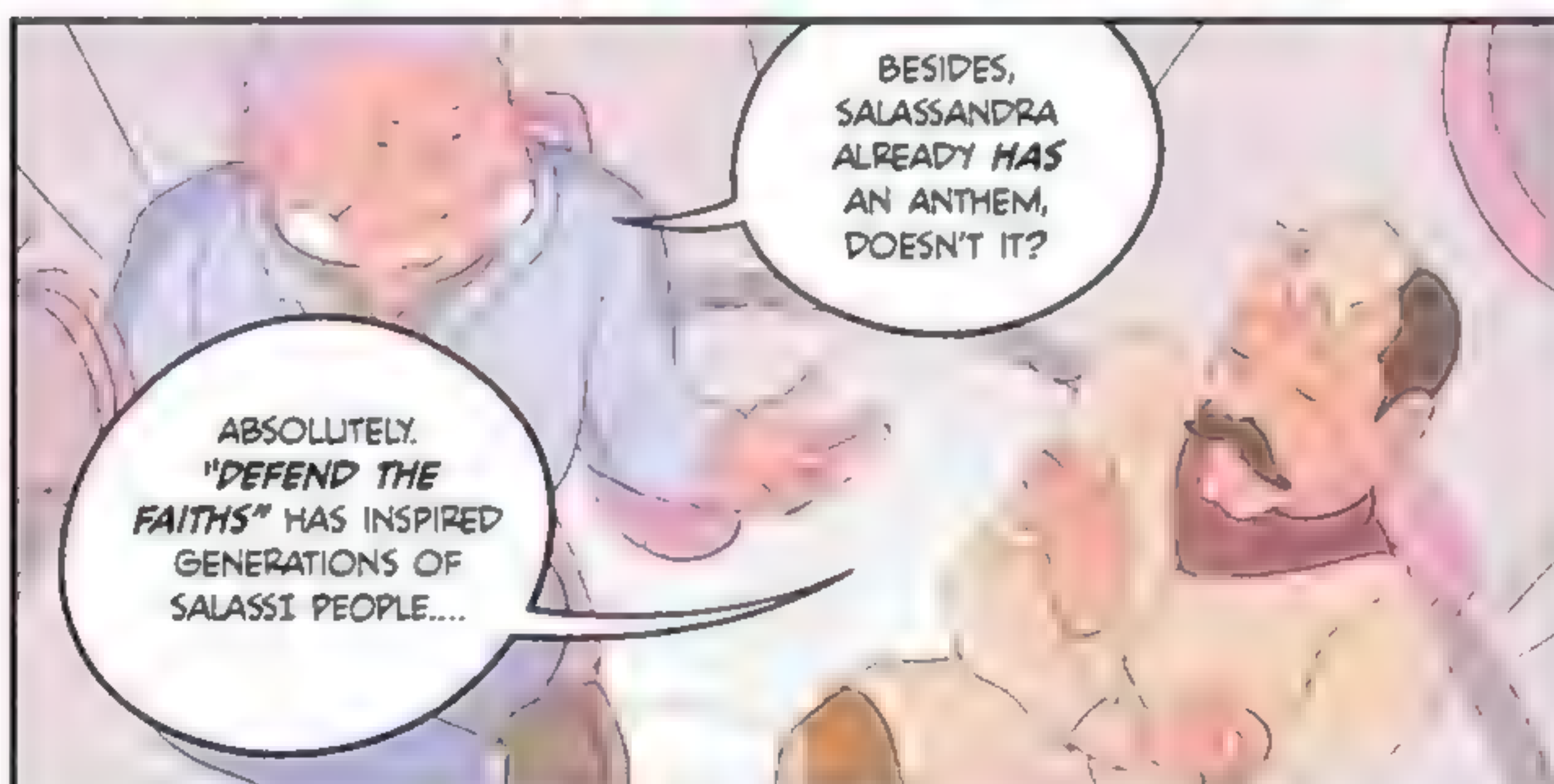
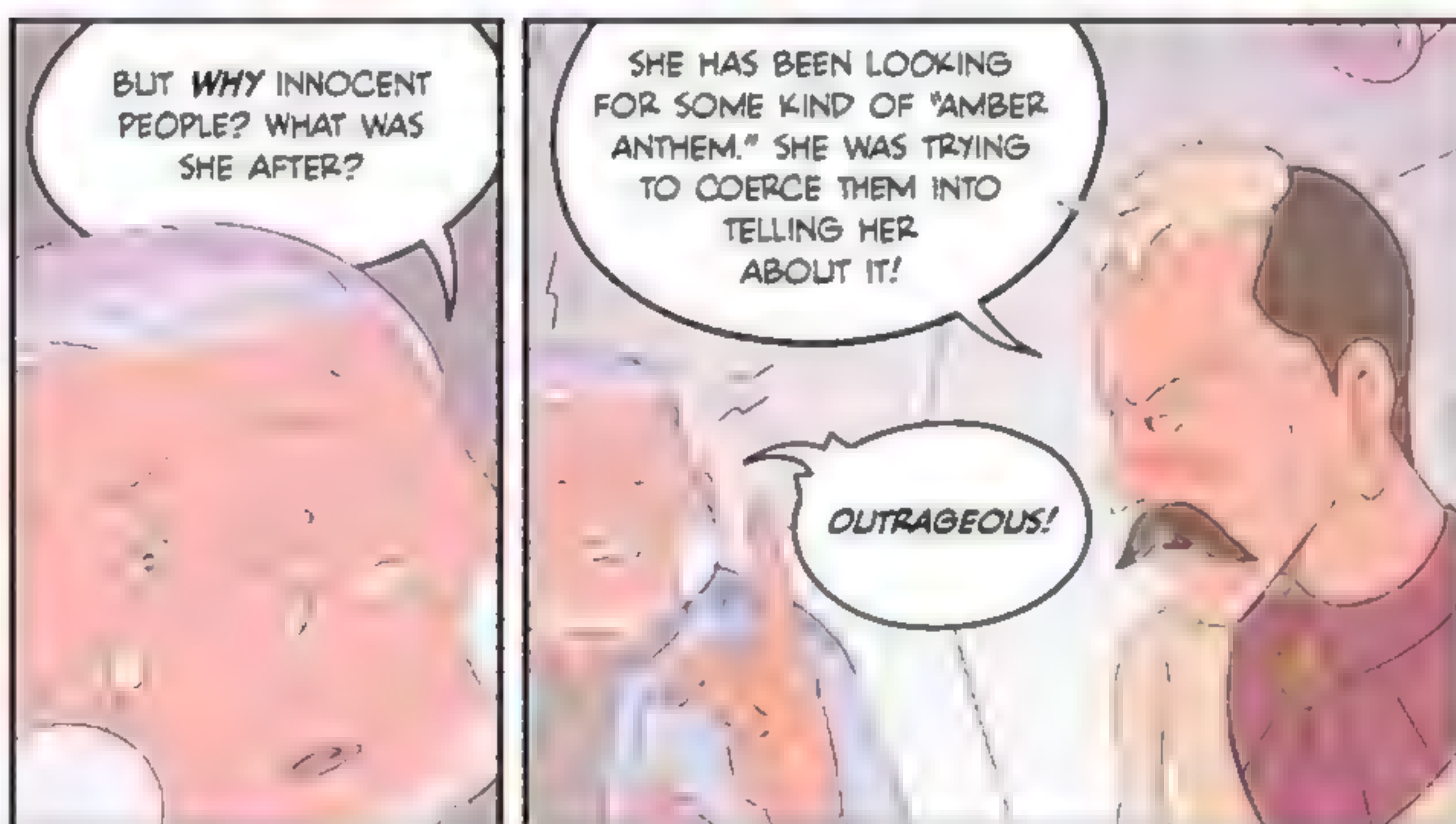


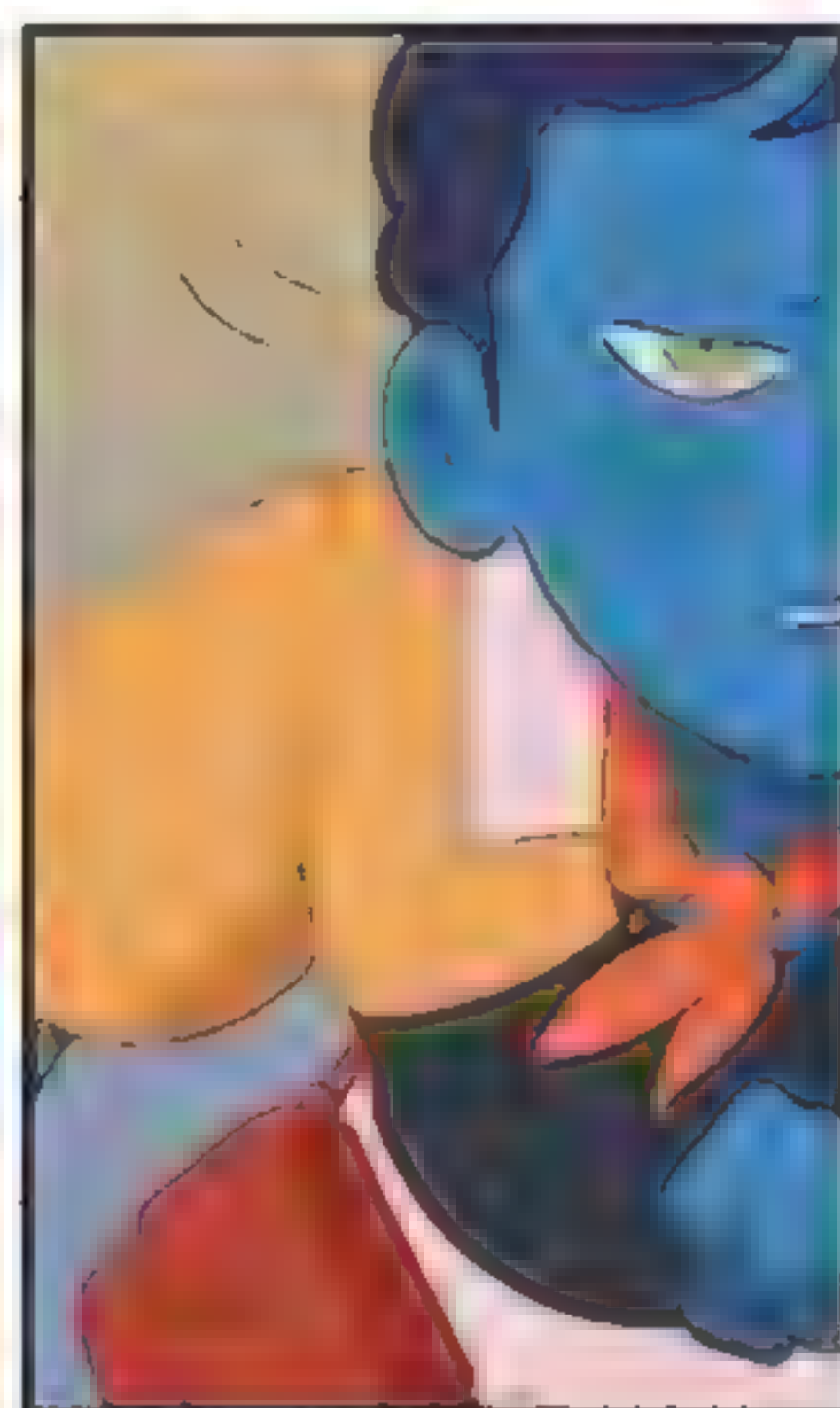
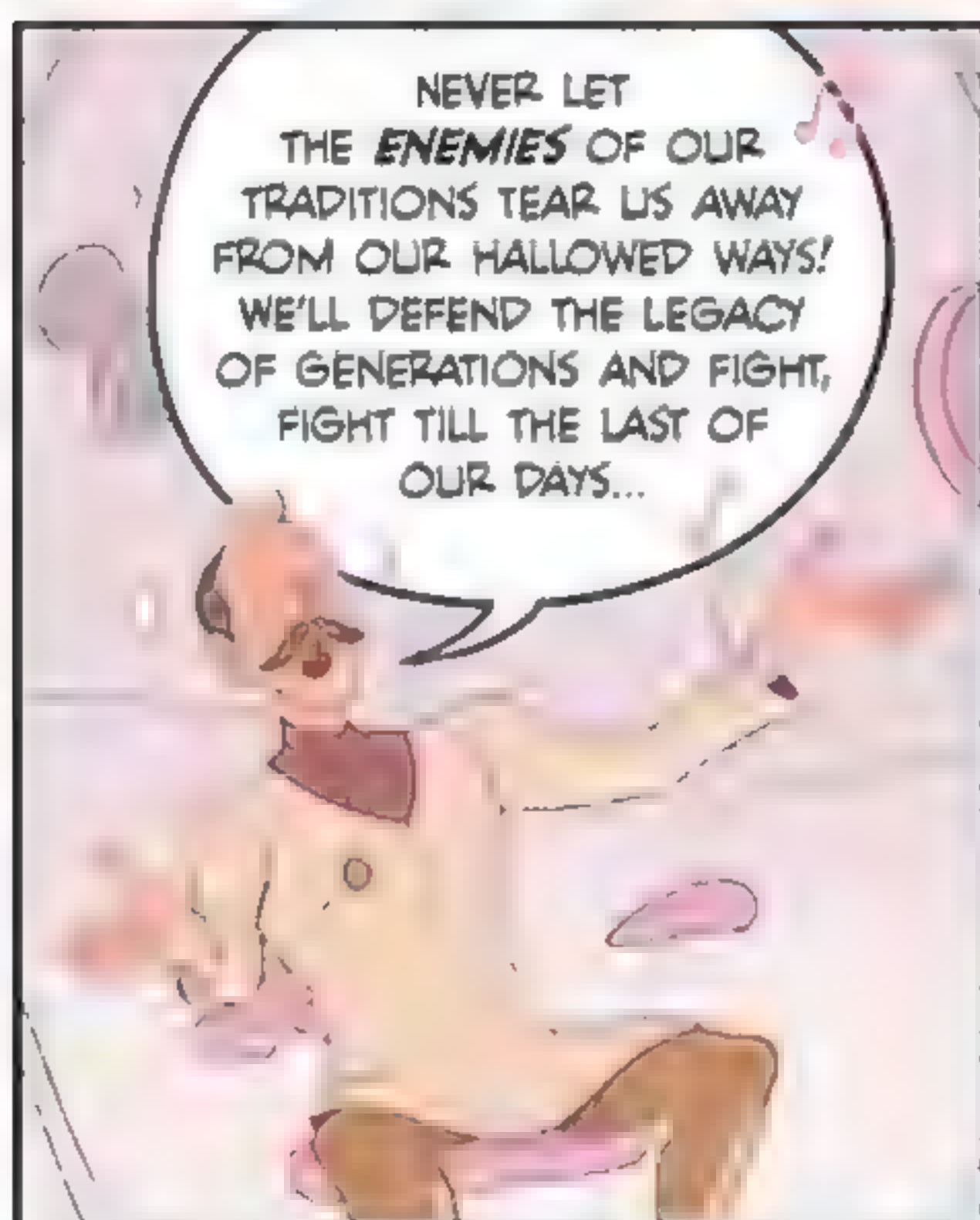
WE BRING
YOU ALARMING
NEWS



THE LATEST
ATROCITY
COMMITTED BY
THE CRIMINAL
SAND DANCER
DONA LEE





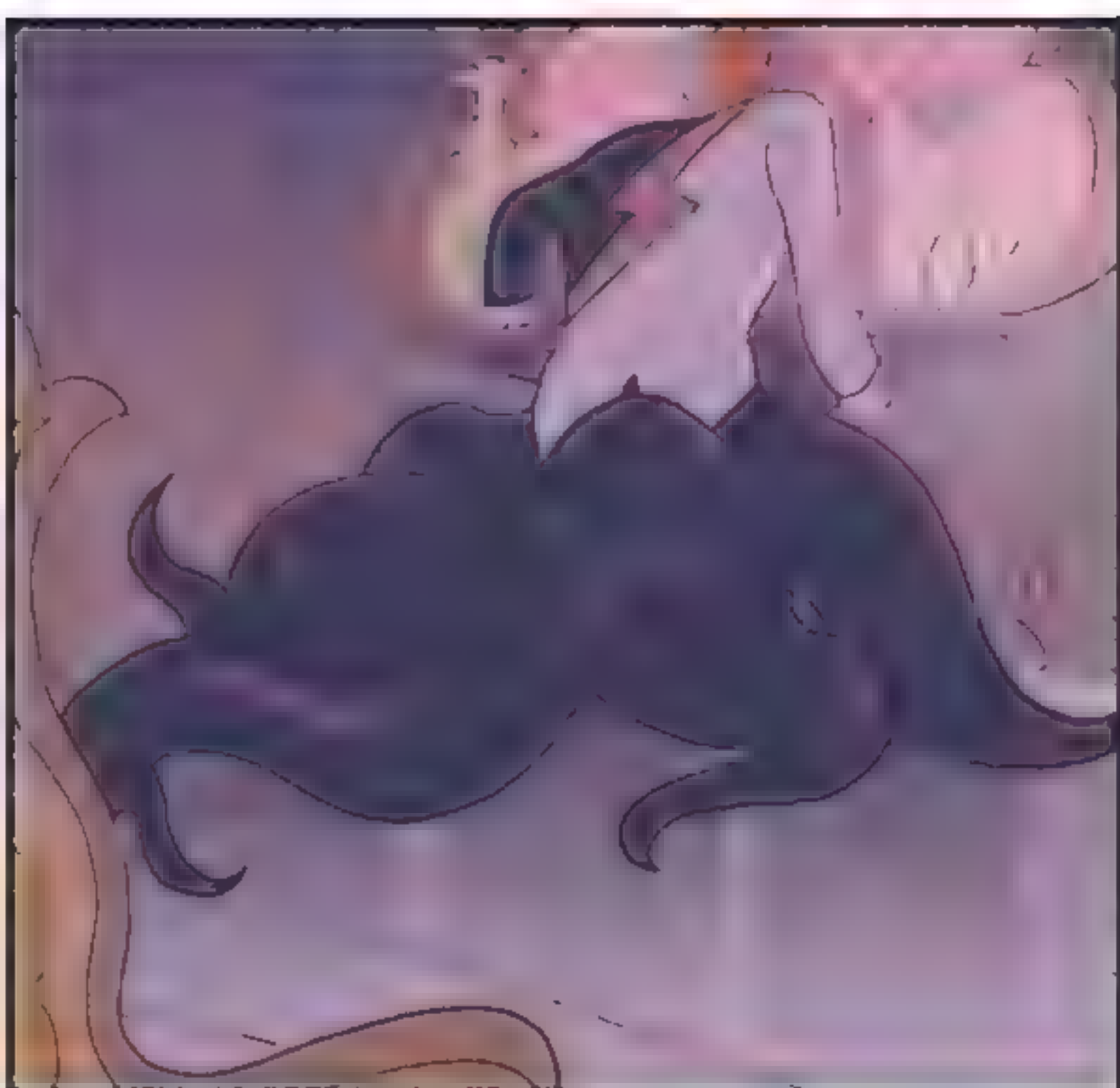
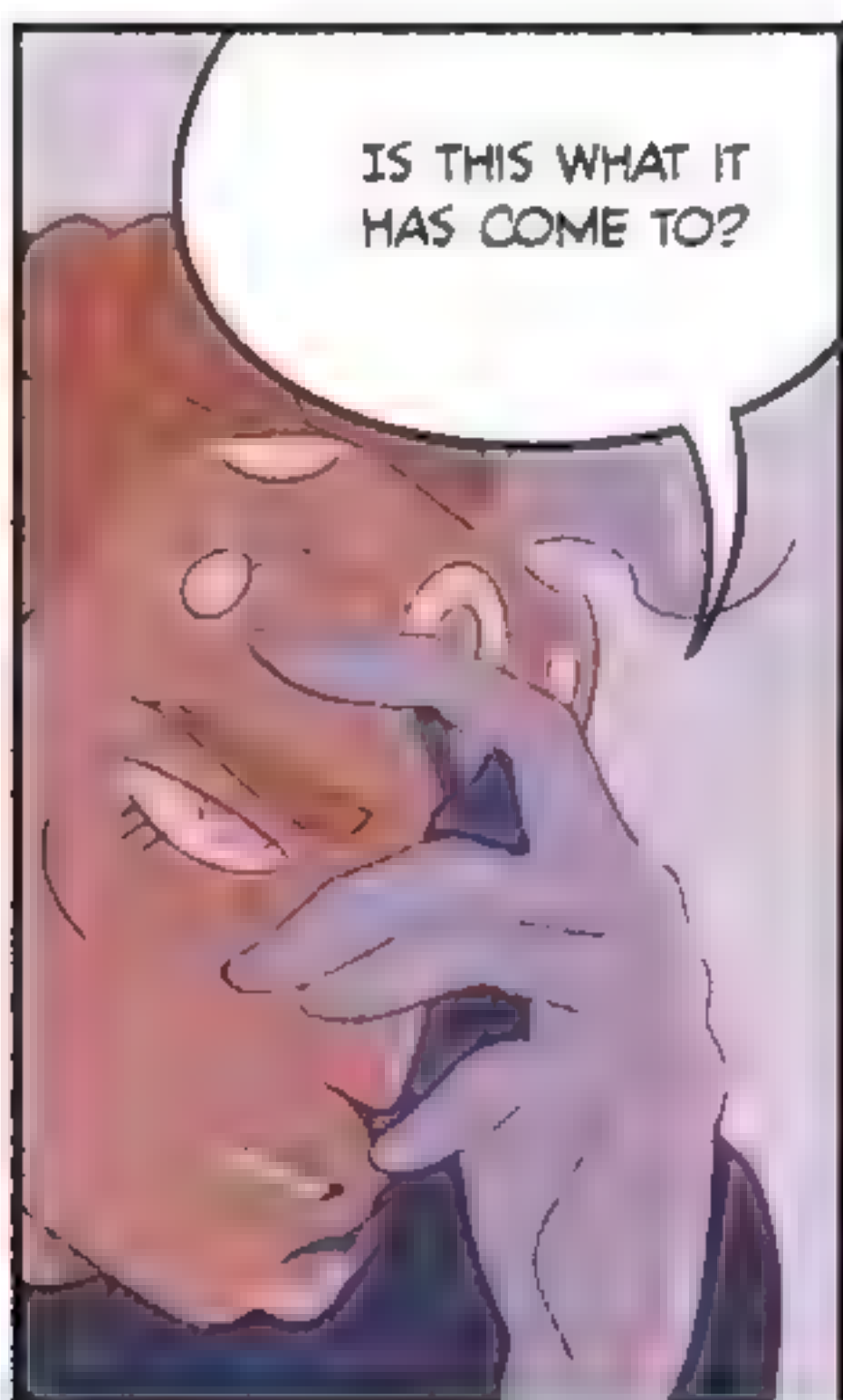


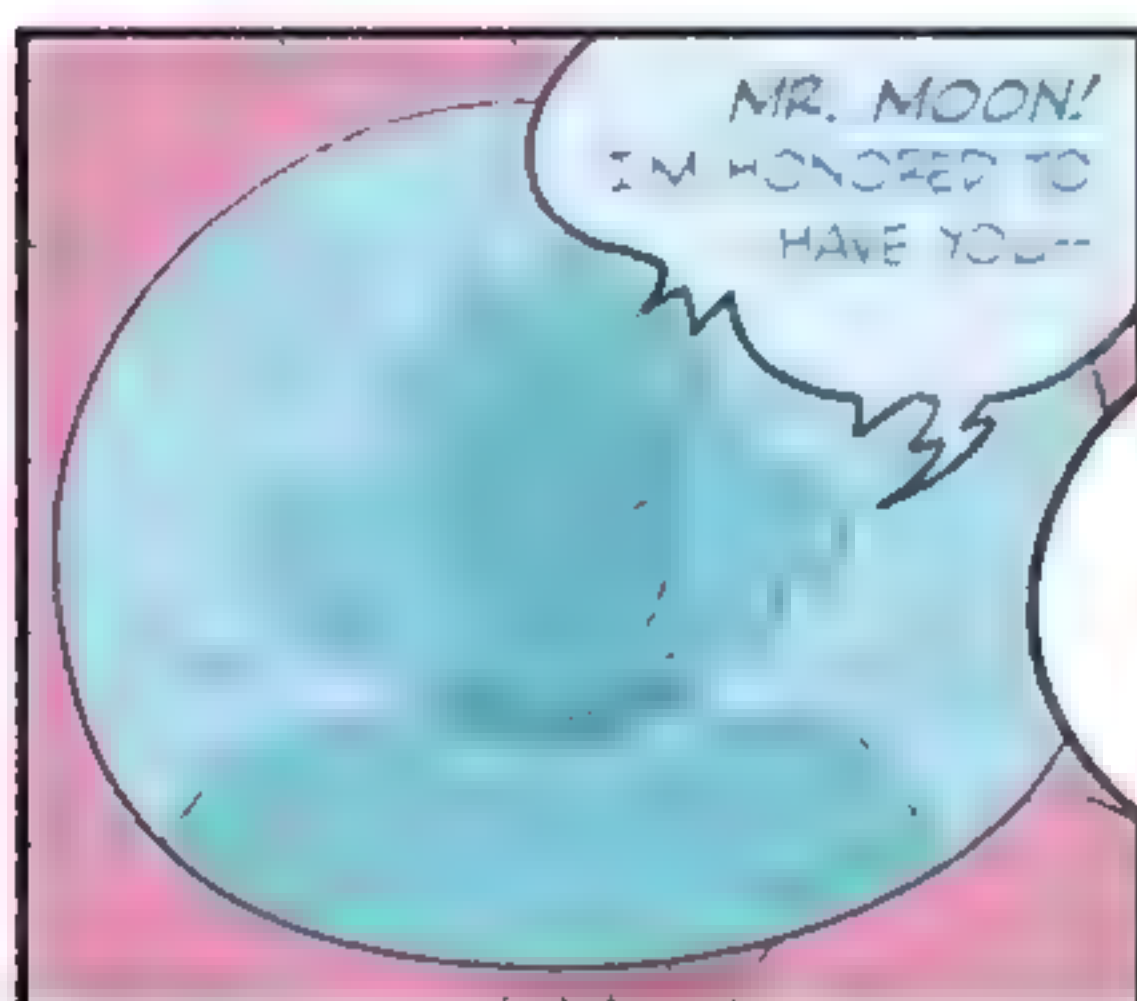
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THE GRIP TIGHTENS

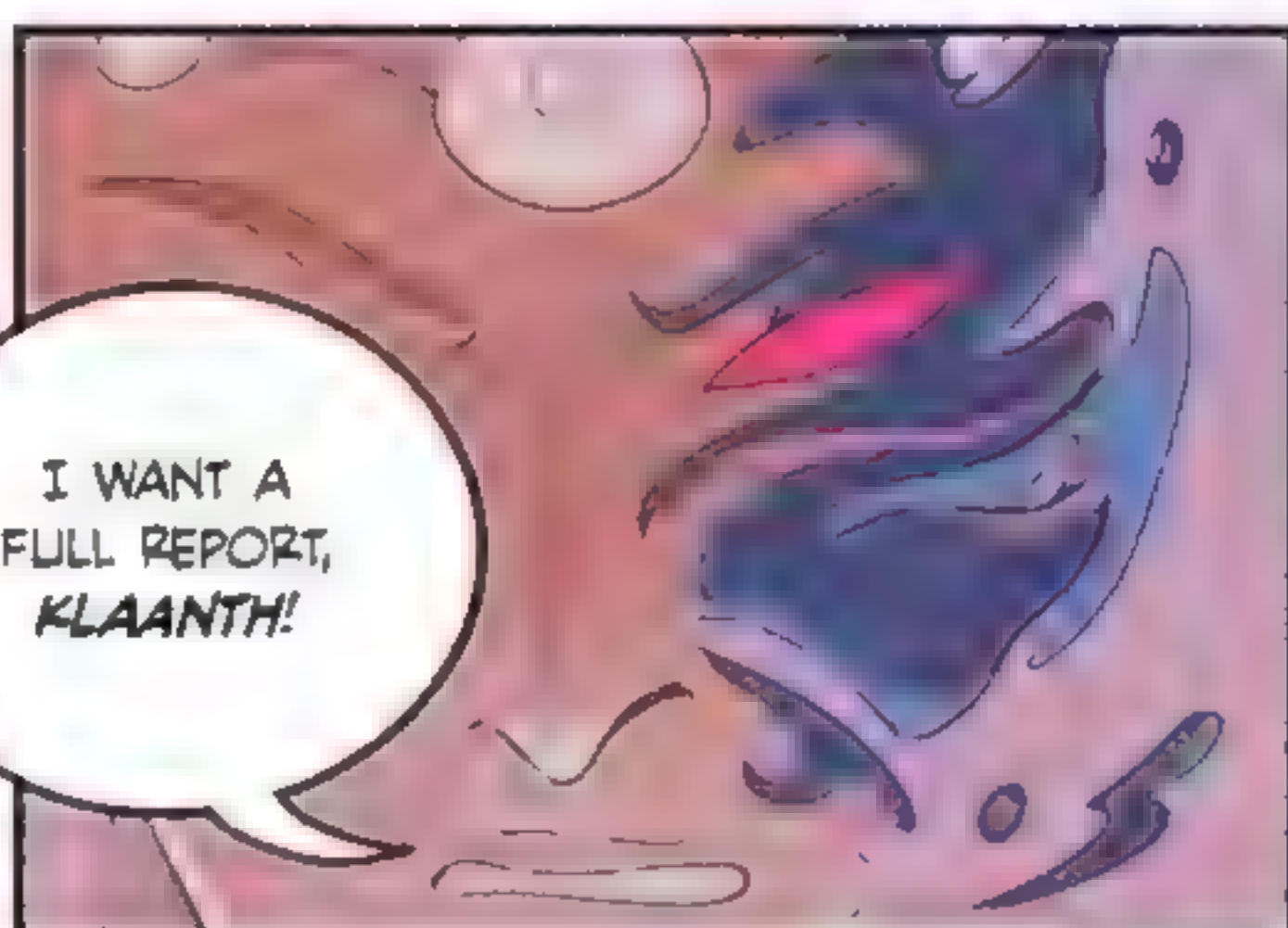
USELESS
FOOL!







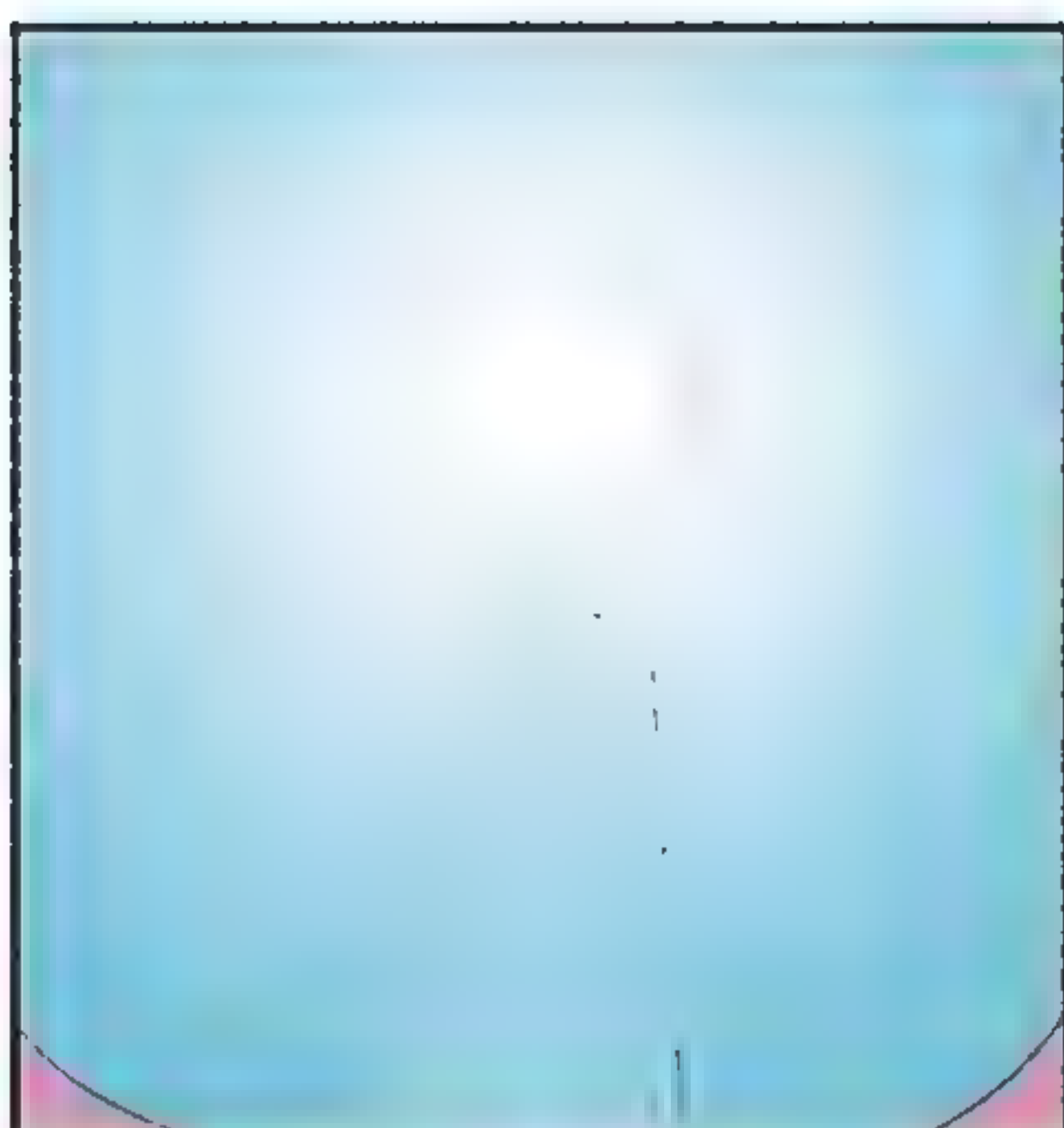
MR. MOON!
I'M HONORED TO
HAVE YOU--

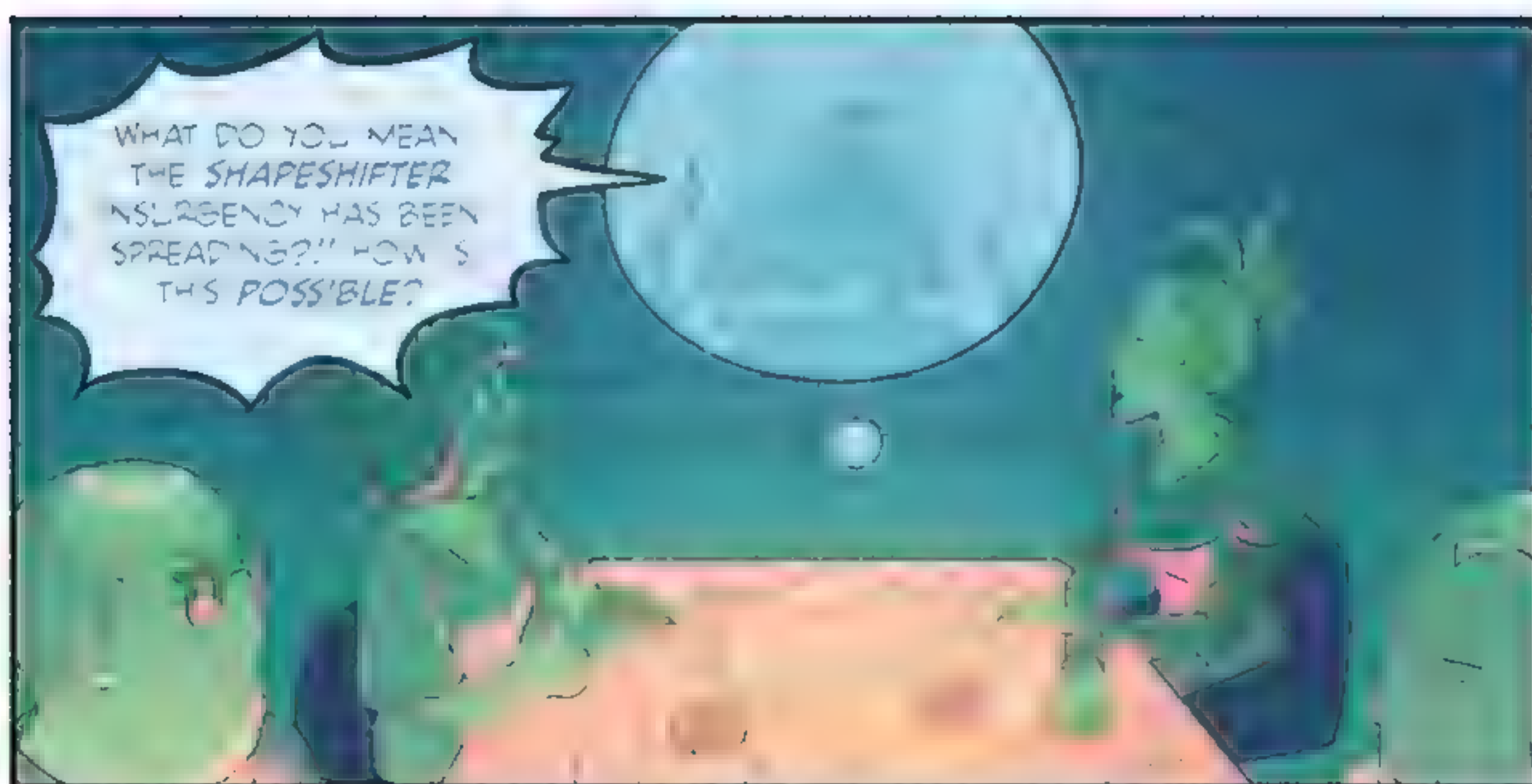


I WANT A
FULL REPORT,
KLAANTH!



YES SR,
IT'S IT'S
GONG
WELL





WHAT DO YOU MEAN
THE **SHAPESHIFTER**
INSURGENCY HAS BEEN
SPREADING?" HOW IS
THIS POSSIBLE?



WE'RE
DOING ALL WE
CAN WITH THE
MEDIA, SIR. BUT
NOW EVEN SOME
REAL YATTANS
ARE JOINING THE
SHAPESHIFTERS.



THE LIGHTING
OF THE **RED**
BEACON SEEMS
TO HAVE--

GAH!
WHY HAVEN'T YOU
TURNED THE **RUBY**
DESERT TO ASHES TO
SMOKE THEM OUT?



WE NO
LONGER HAVE
AN AIR FORCE,
SIR....

THEN BLOW UP
WATER PIPES TO THE
CITIES AND BLAME
THE **SHAPESHIFTERS**!"



BUT, SIR,
THERE WOULD
BE WATER
RIOTS....

THEN DEAL
WITH THEM! DO
I HAVE TO DO
EVERYTHING
MYSELF?

NO, SIR,
I'LL SEE
TO IT.

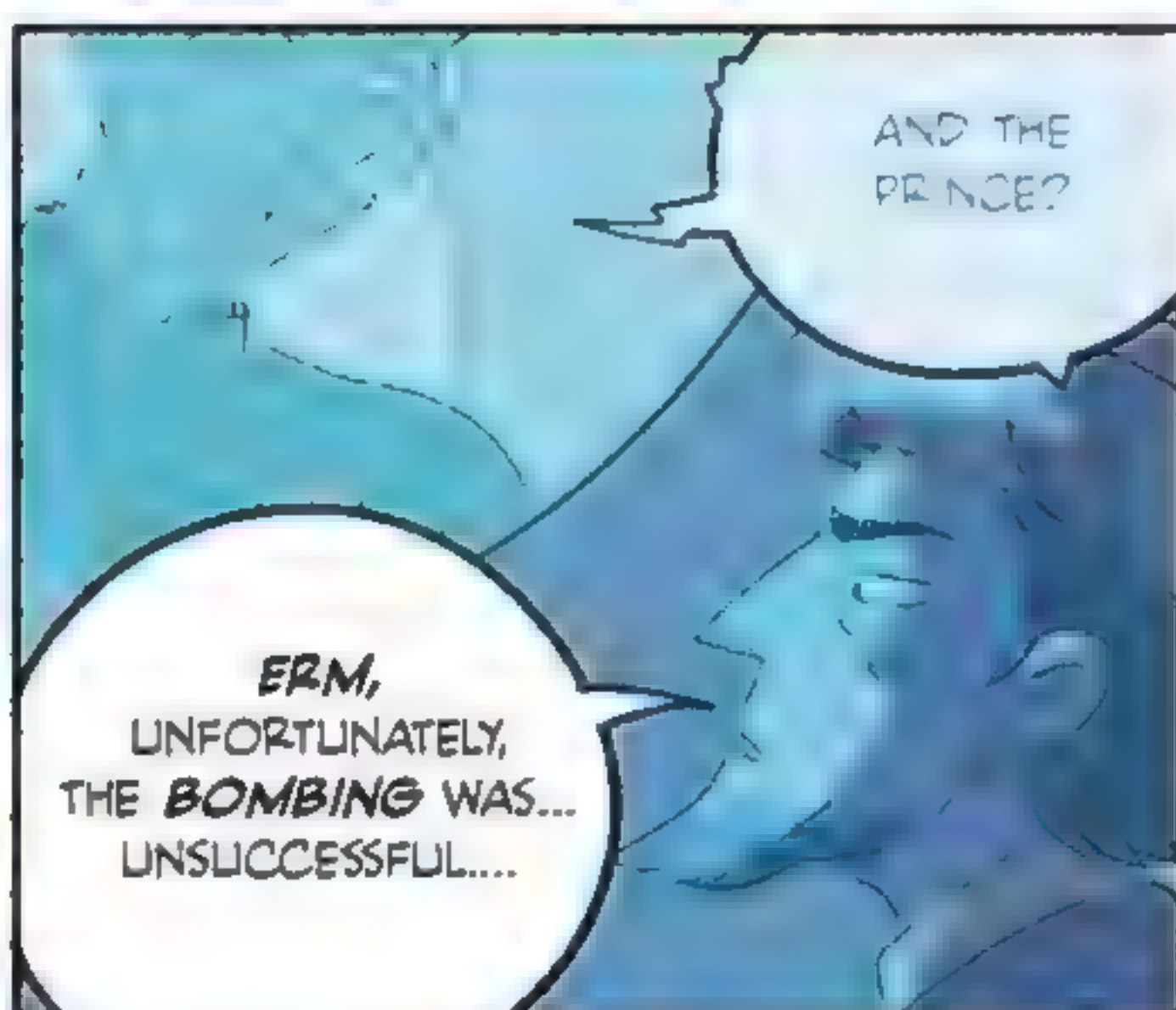


YES, SIR! OUR
AUTHORITY...

...IS NEARLY
RESTORED!

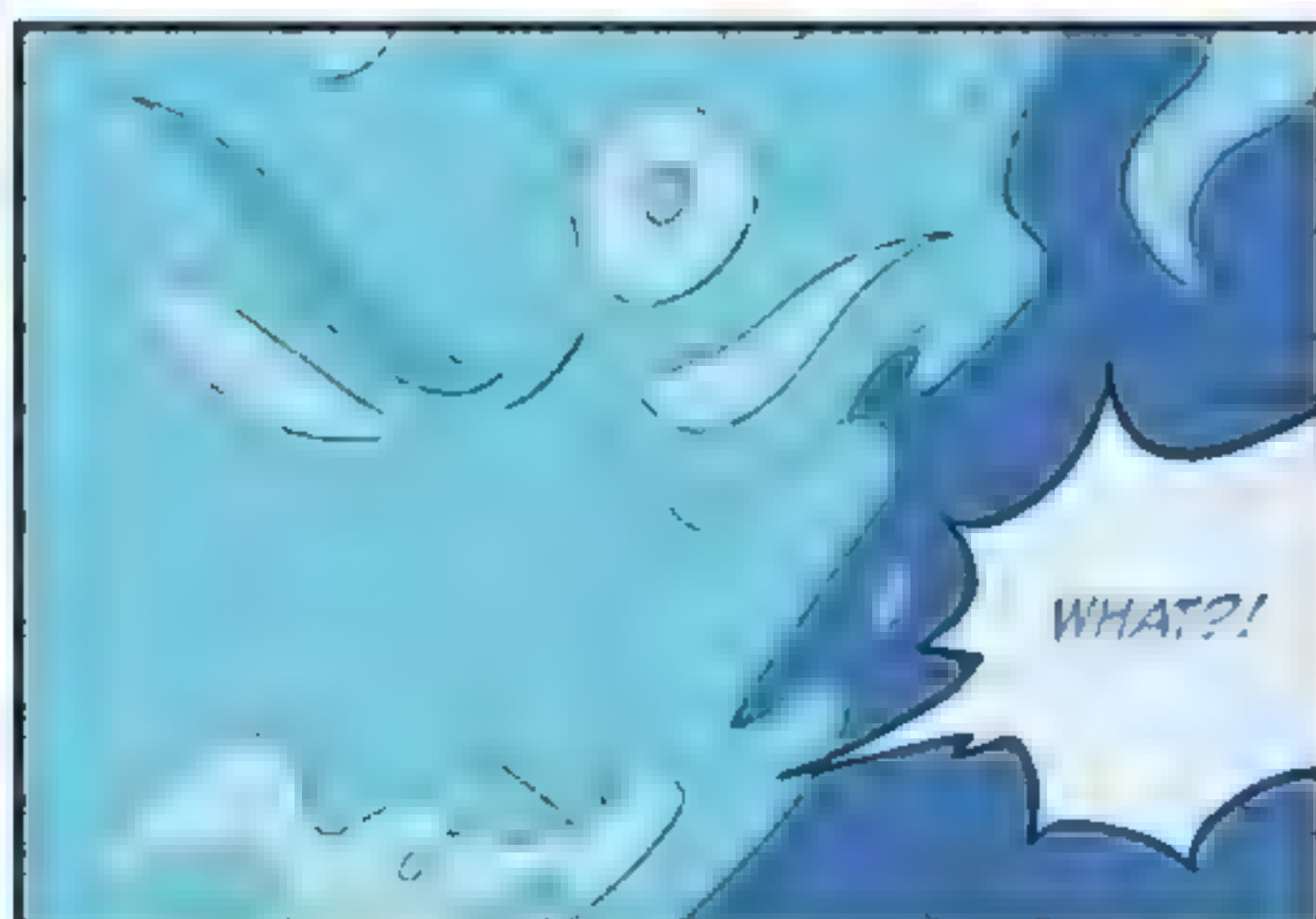


OUR TEAMS ARE DEALING
WITH THE LAST POCKETS
OF **RESISTANCE** AS WE
SPEAK.

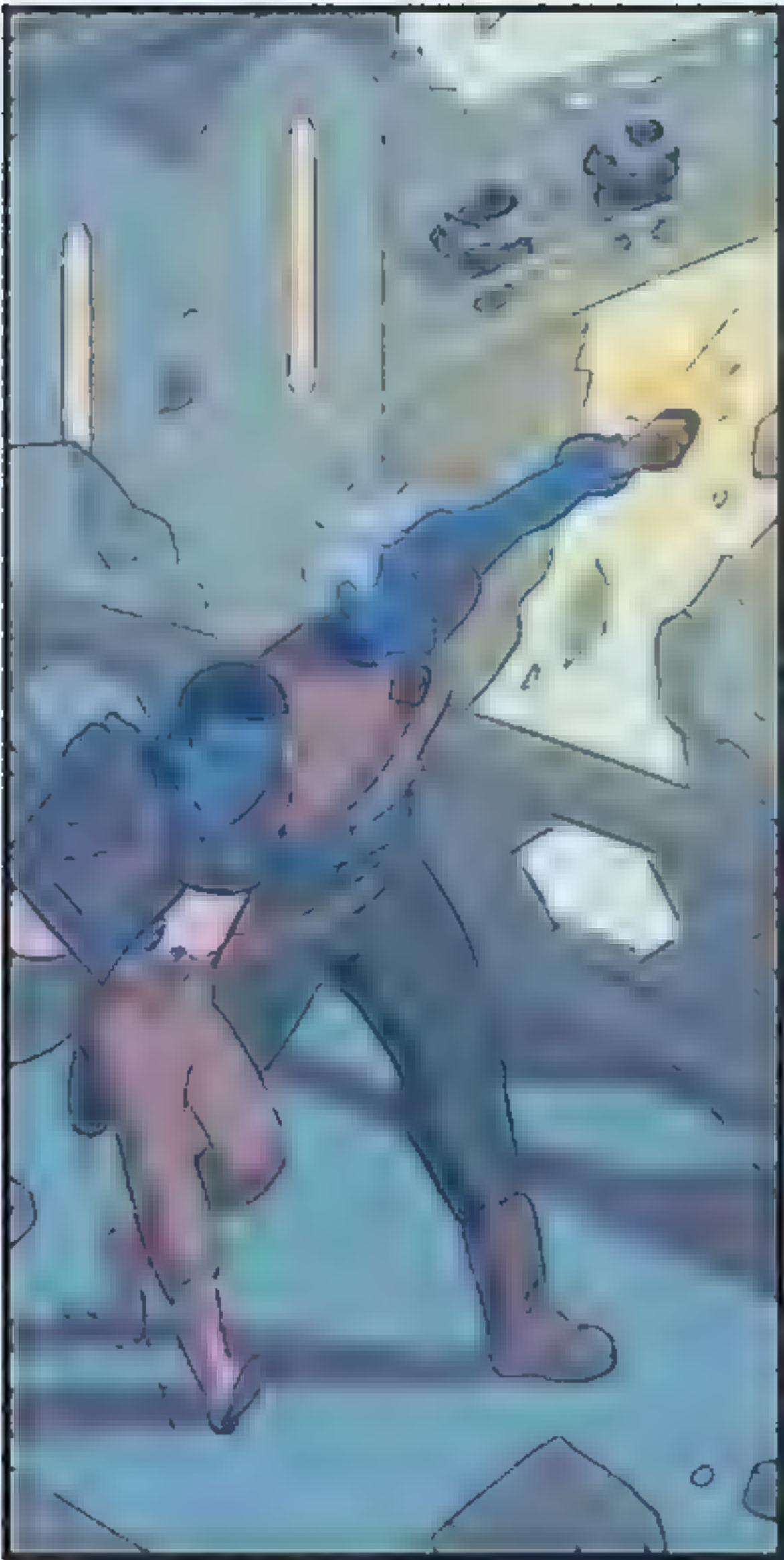


AND THE
PRINCE?

ERM,
UNFORTUNATELY,
THE **BOMBING** WAS...
UNSUCCESSFUL....



WHAT?!



AND YOU LET
THEM GET
AWAY?!

ONLY
TEMPORARILY,
SIR. THEY CAN'T
GO FAR.

WE HAVE
CHECKPOINTS
EVERYWHERE.

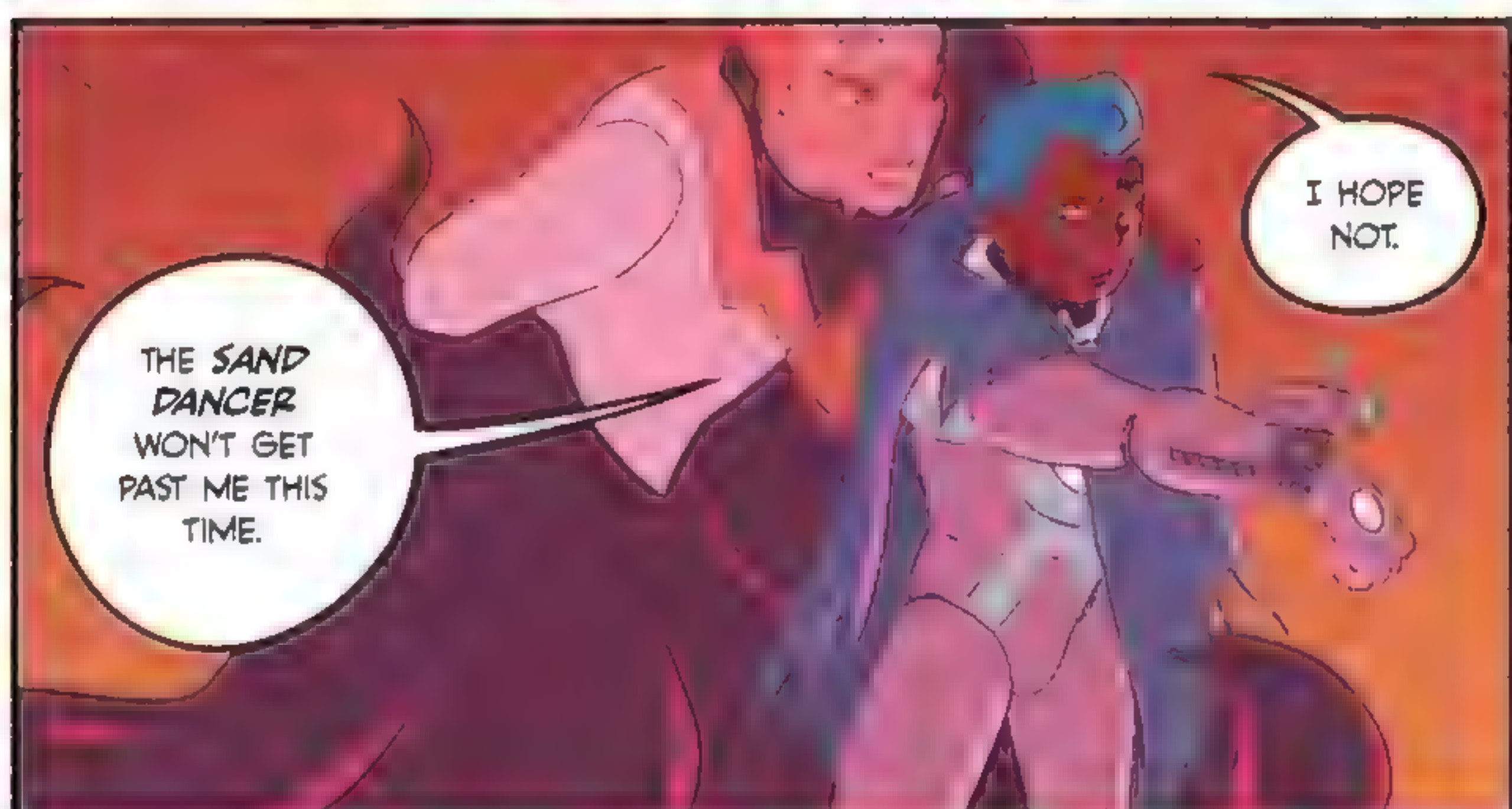


AS LONG
AS HE'S ALIVE
HE'S A SYMBOL
OF HOPE

YOU HAVE
TO SNUFF
IT OUT AT
ONCE!

WE WILL, SIR.
REST ASSURED
WE WILL.





Chapter 11

THE HOURGLASS

I NEED TO
TELL YOU SOMETHING.
MY *VISIONS*...THEY'RE
NOT VISIONS. THEY'RE
MEMORIES.



I REMEMBER...THE *FELID*
REALM. THE WORLD
INSIDE THE SUN.







我們知道，
每個人都
有自己
的意見，
我們應該
尊重別人的
意見。

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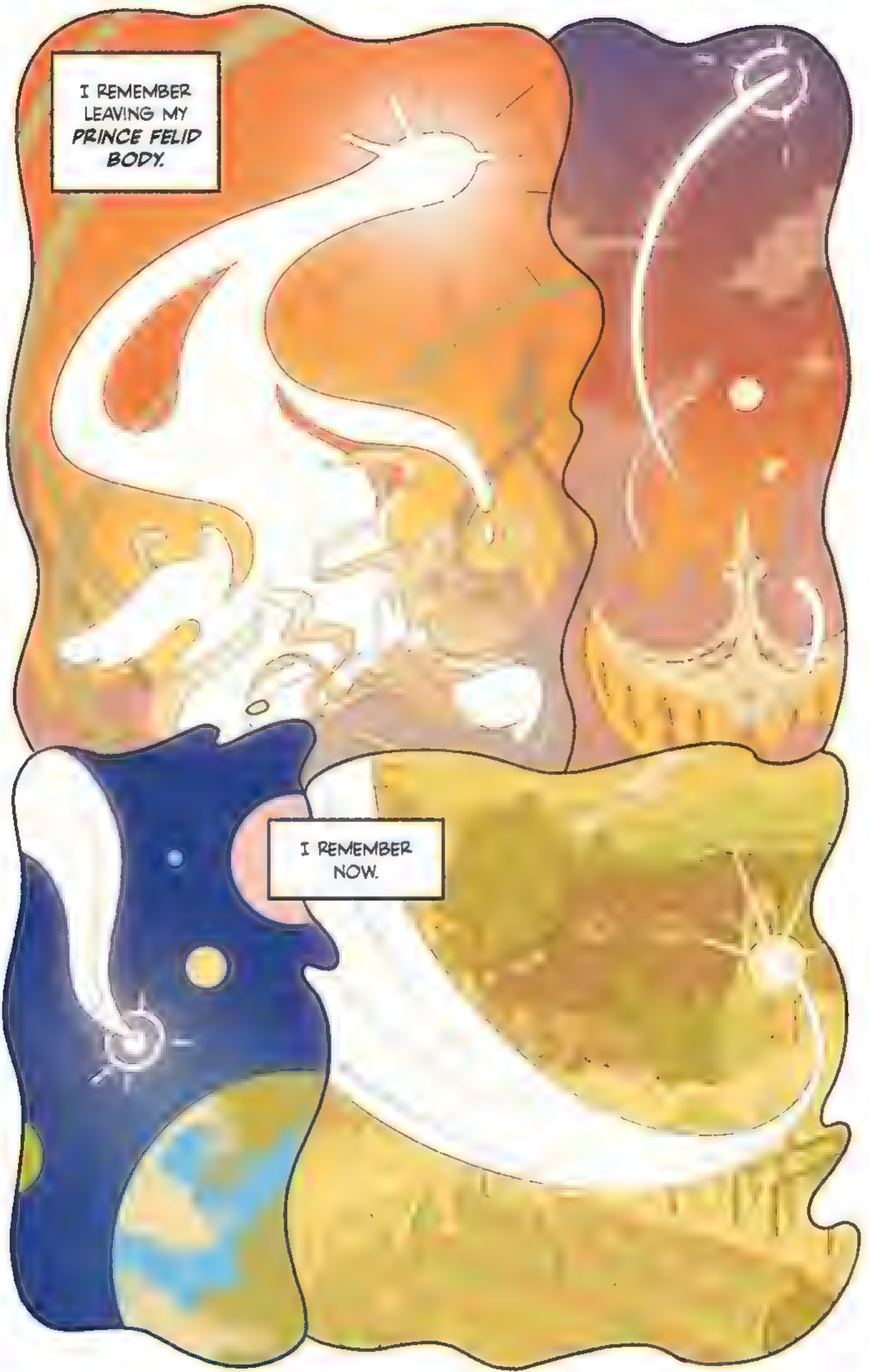
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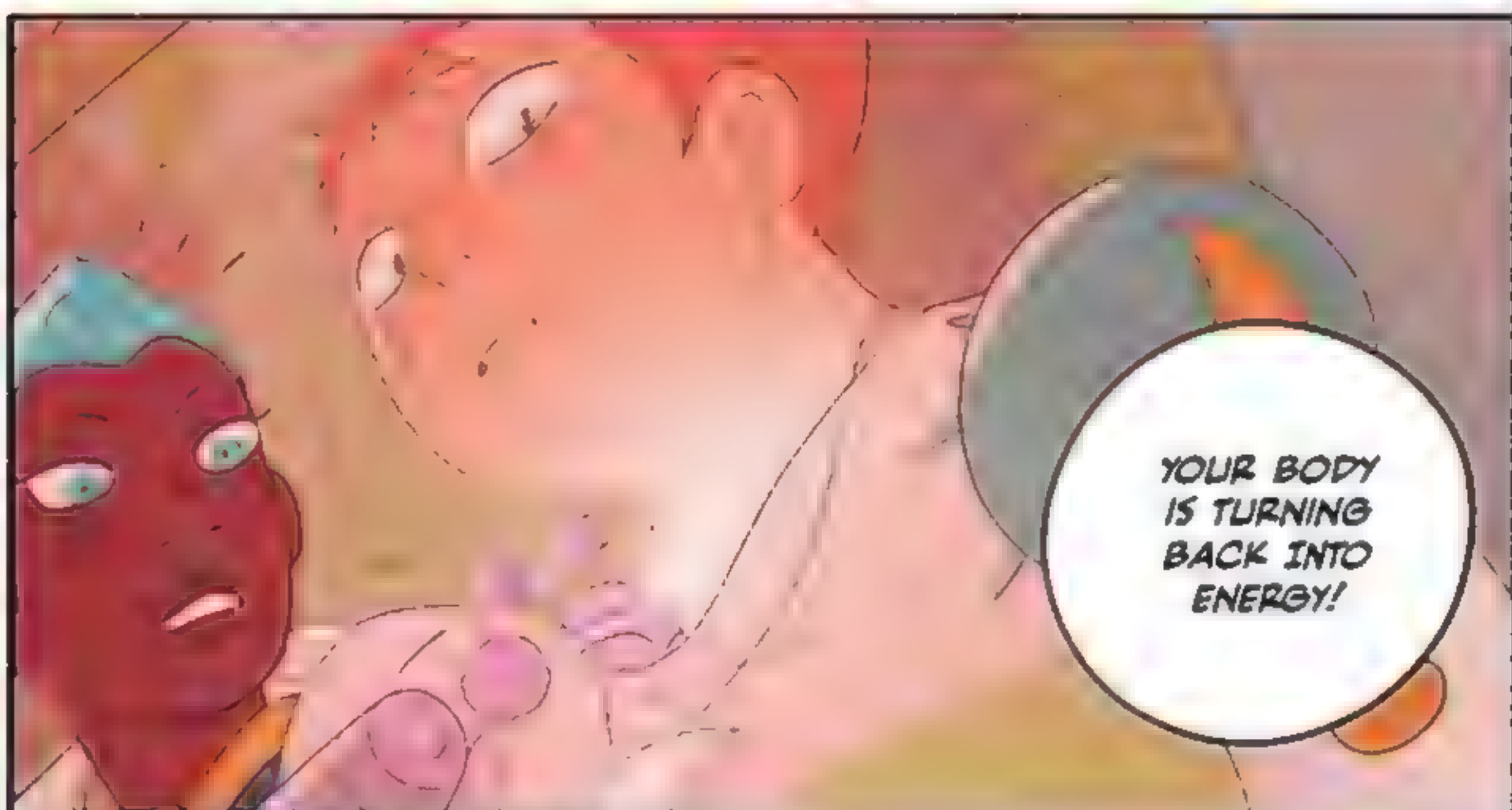
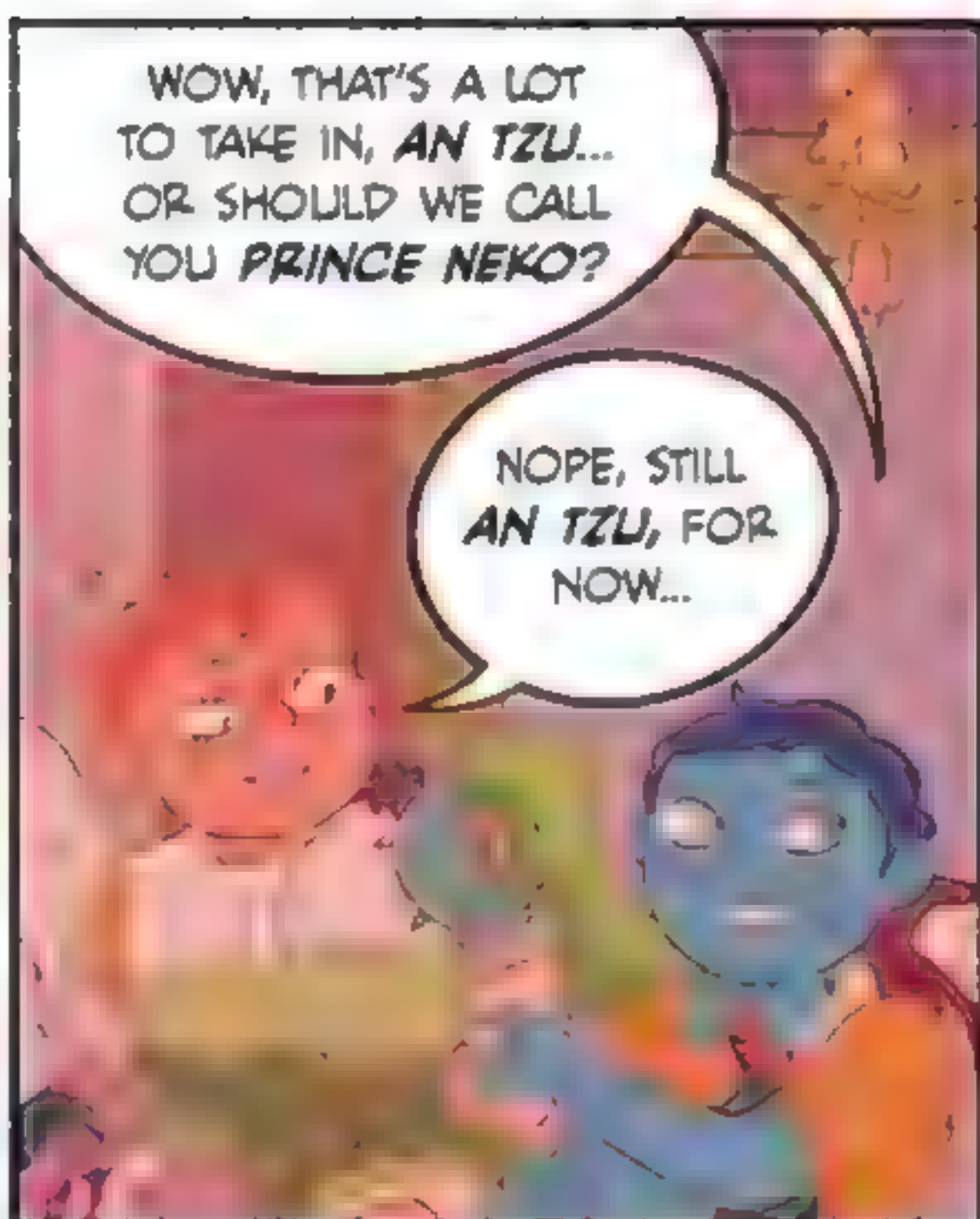
我們知道，
每個人都
有自己
的意見，
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I REMEMBER
LEAVING MY
PRINCE FELID
BODY.

I REMEMBER
NOW.

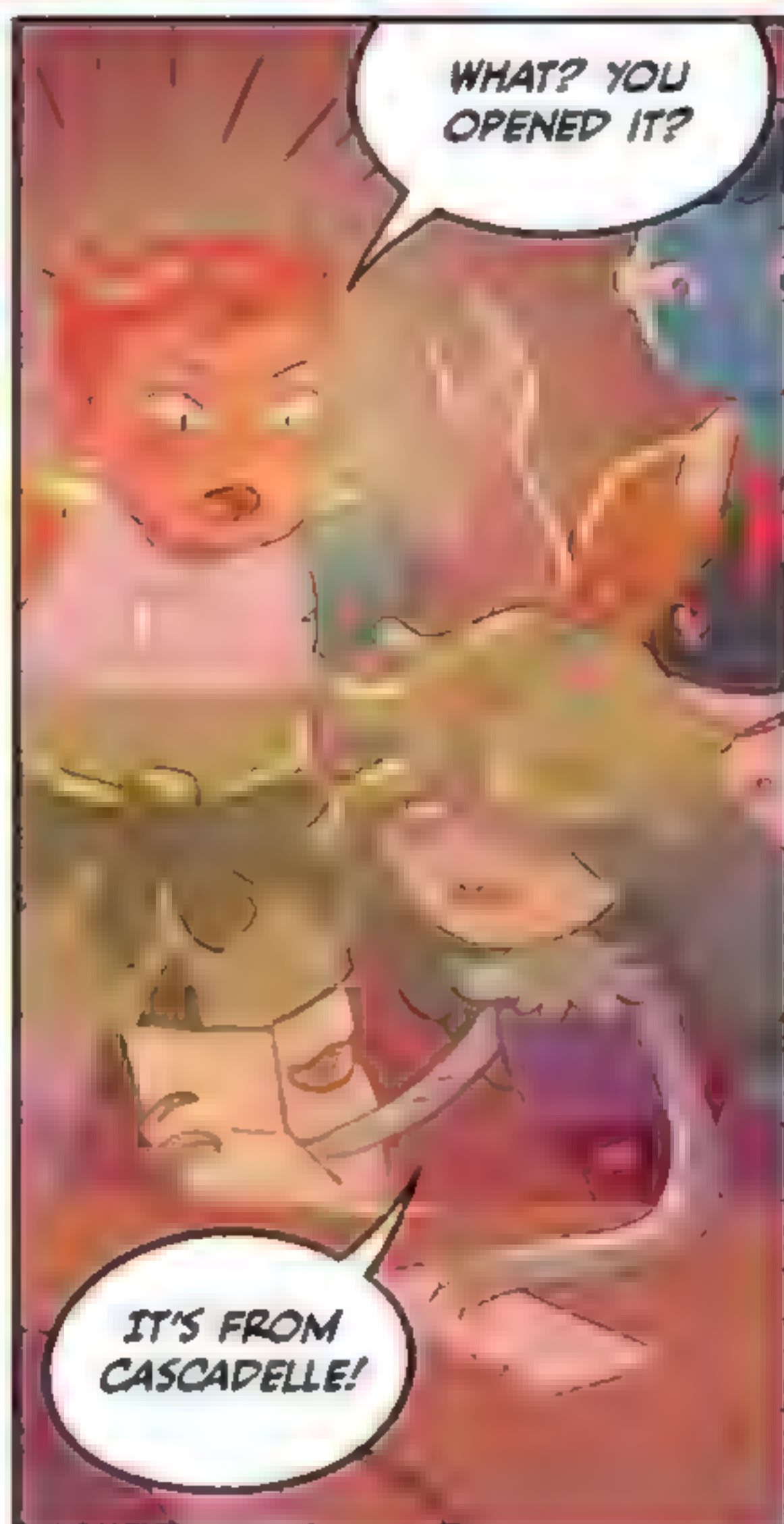






* SEE 5W2: *THE COBALT PRINCE*





DEAR OONA AND FRIENDS,

ASH TELLS ME THAT YOU ARE
LOOKING FOR *THE AMBER ANTHEM*.
I *DID* LEARN SOMETHING ABOUT IT
AS I CRISSCROSSED THE HILLS OF
SALASSANDRA, COLLECTING ANCIENT
FOLK SONGS AND INTERVIEWING HILL
PEOPLE--AND I WANT TO DO *ALL I CAN*
TO SUPPORT YOUR QUEST.

PLEASE *MEET ME* AND MY BAND
TOMORROW AT OUR STUDIO
NEAR THE GREAT PYRAMID.

ON YOUR SIDE,

CASCADELLE





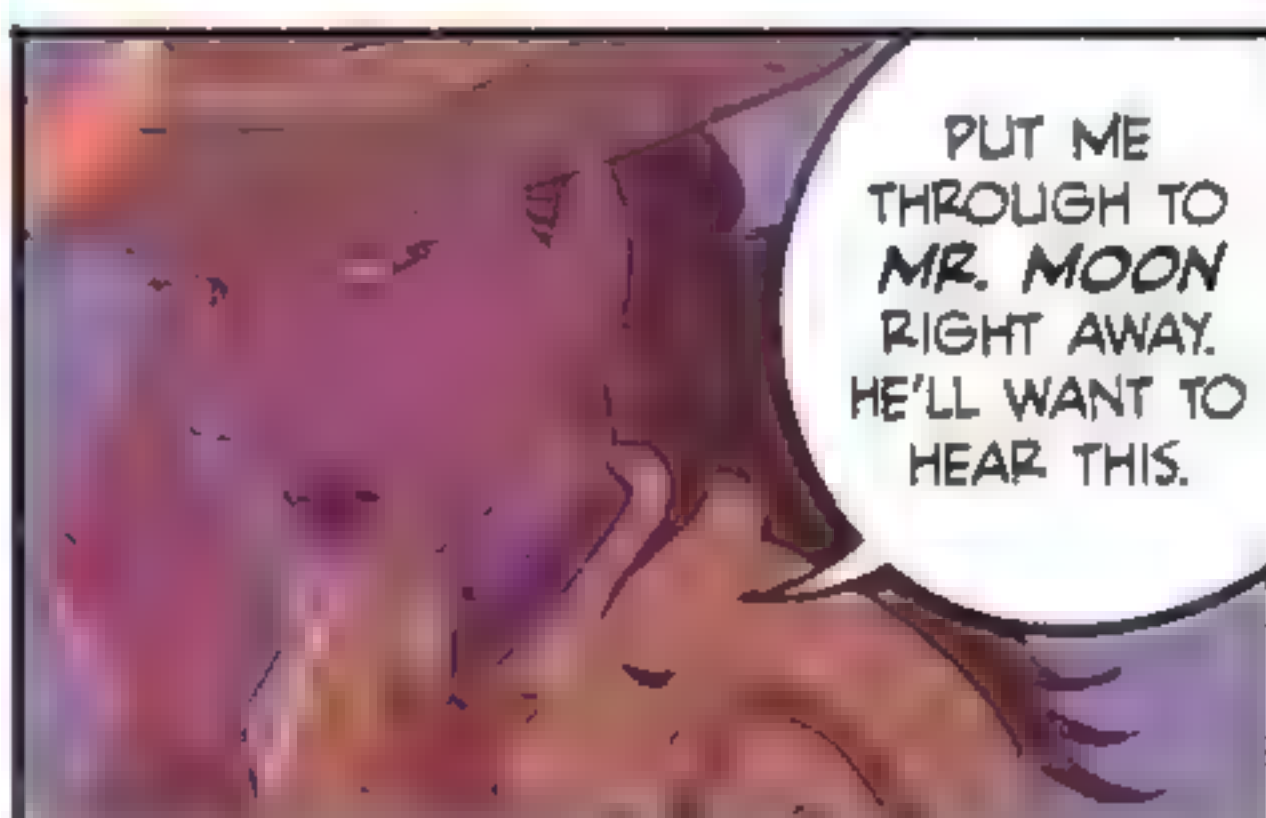
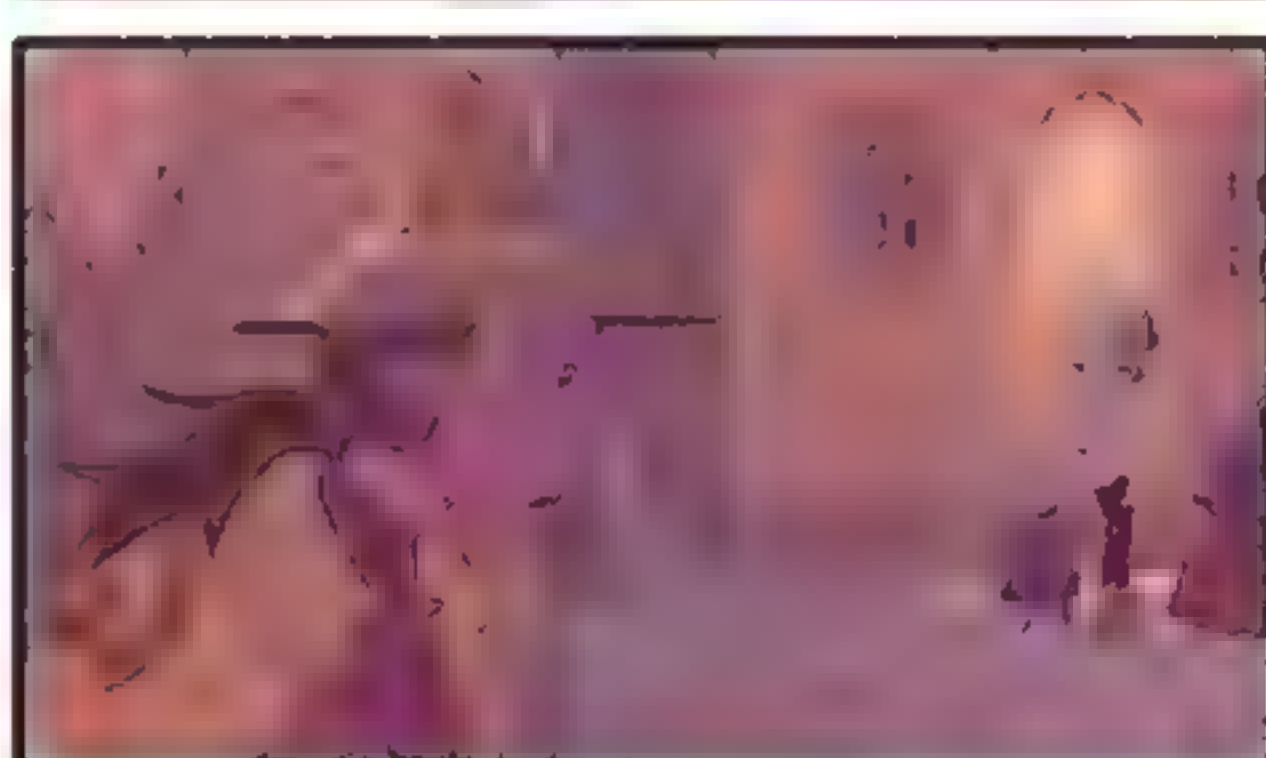
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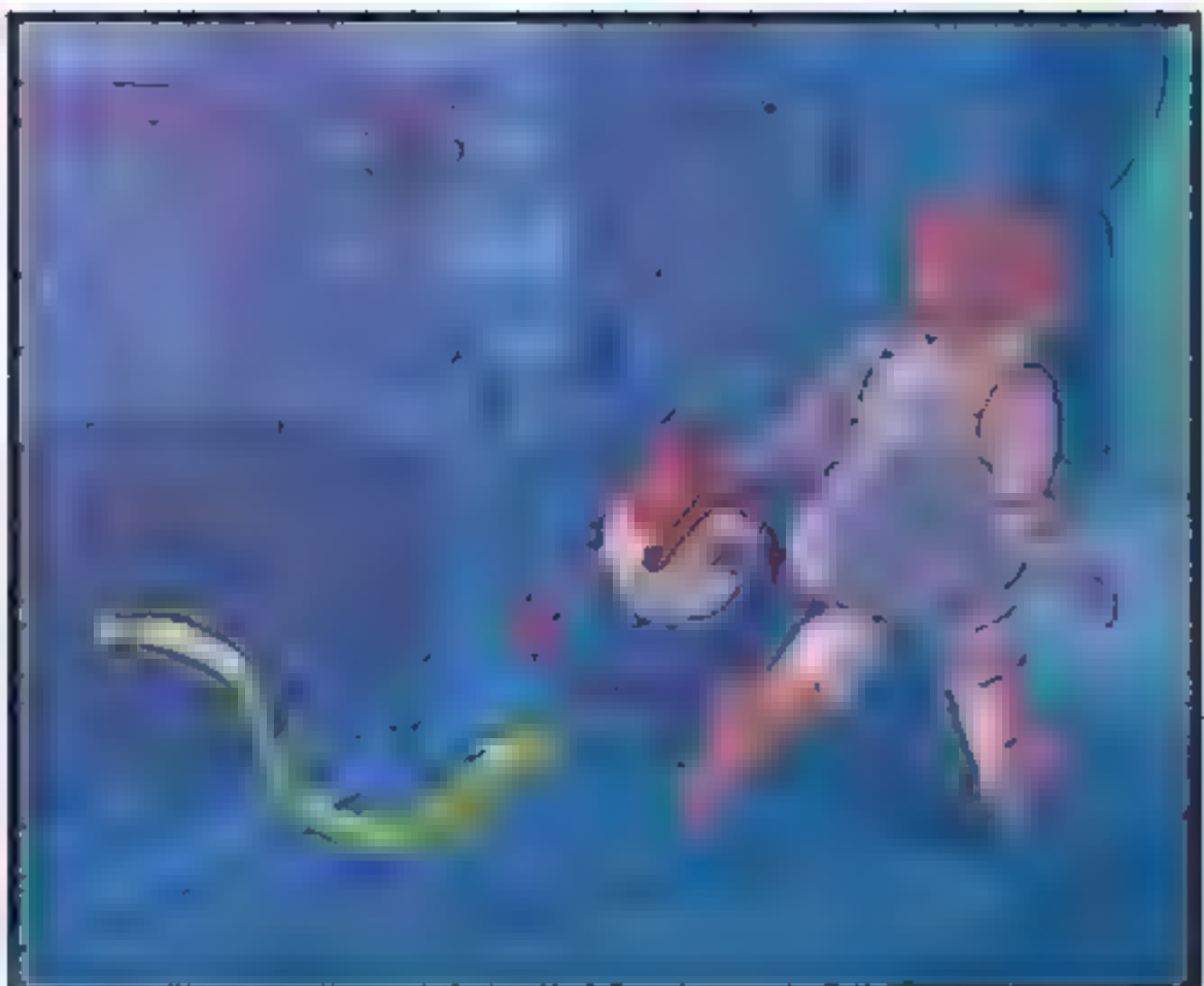
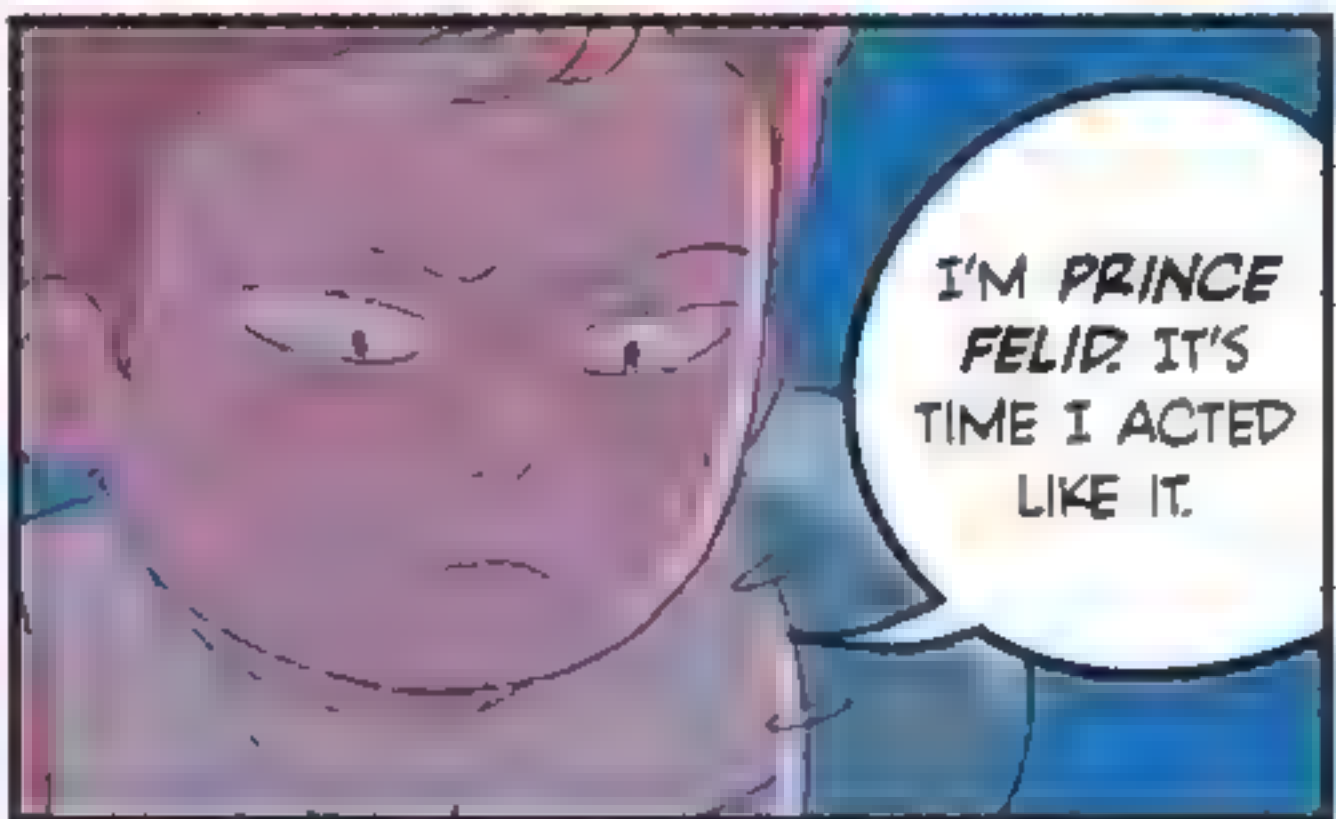
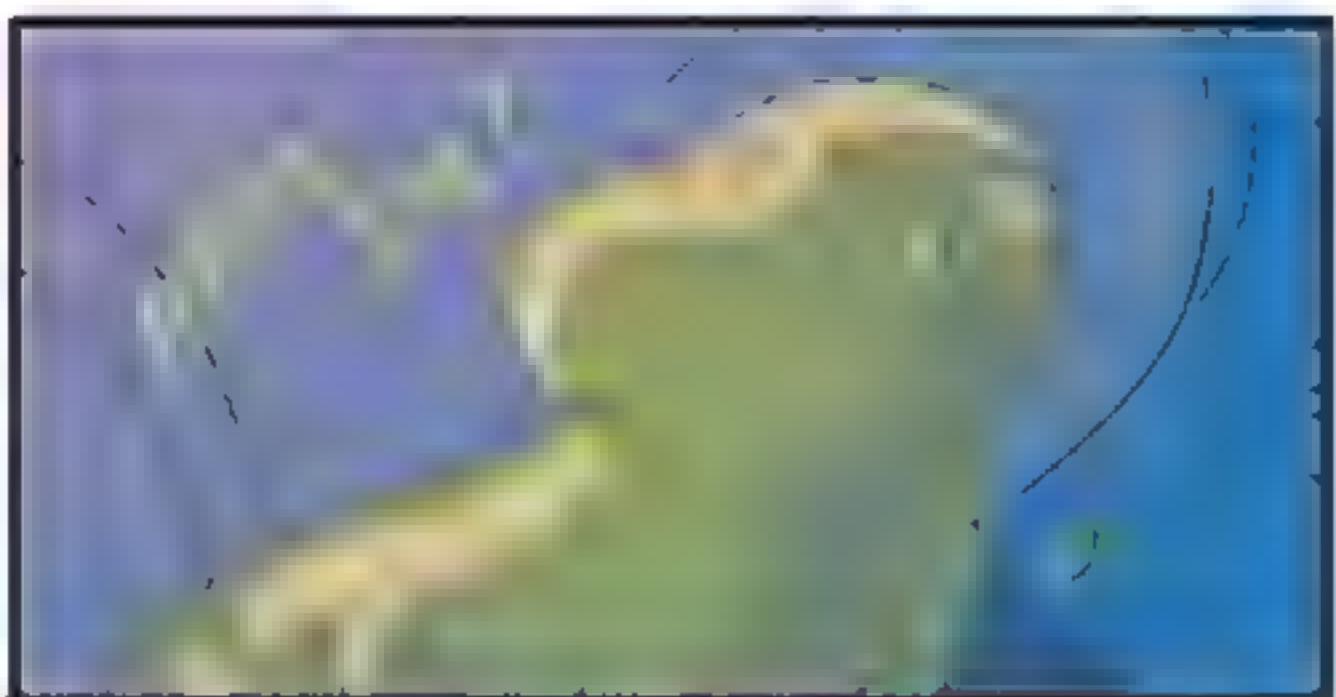
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THAT EVENING, AT
AMBRINE PRISON

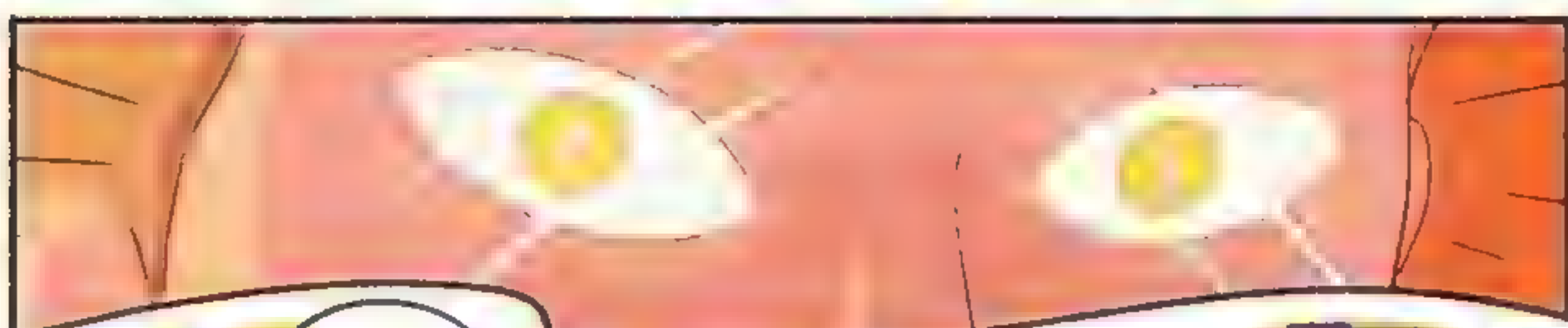












CAN'T
ESCAPE!

SURRENDER!

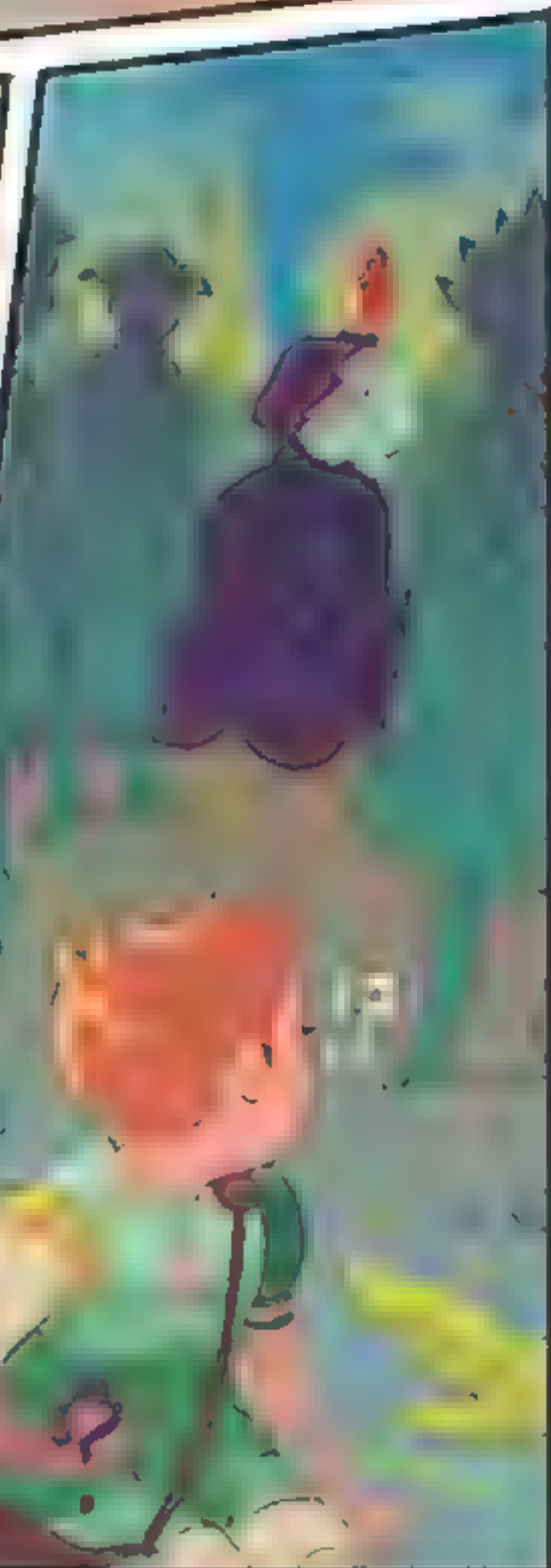
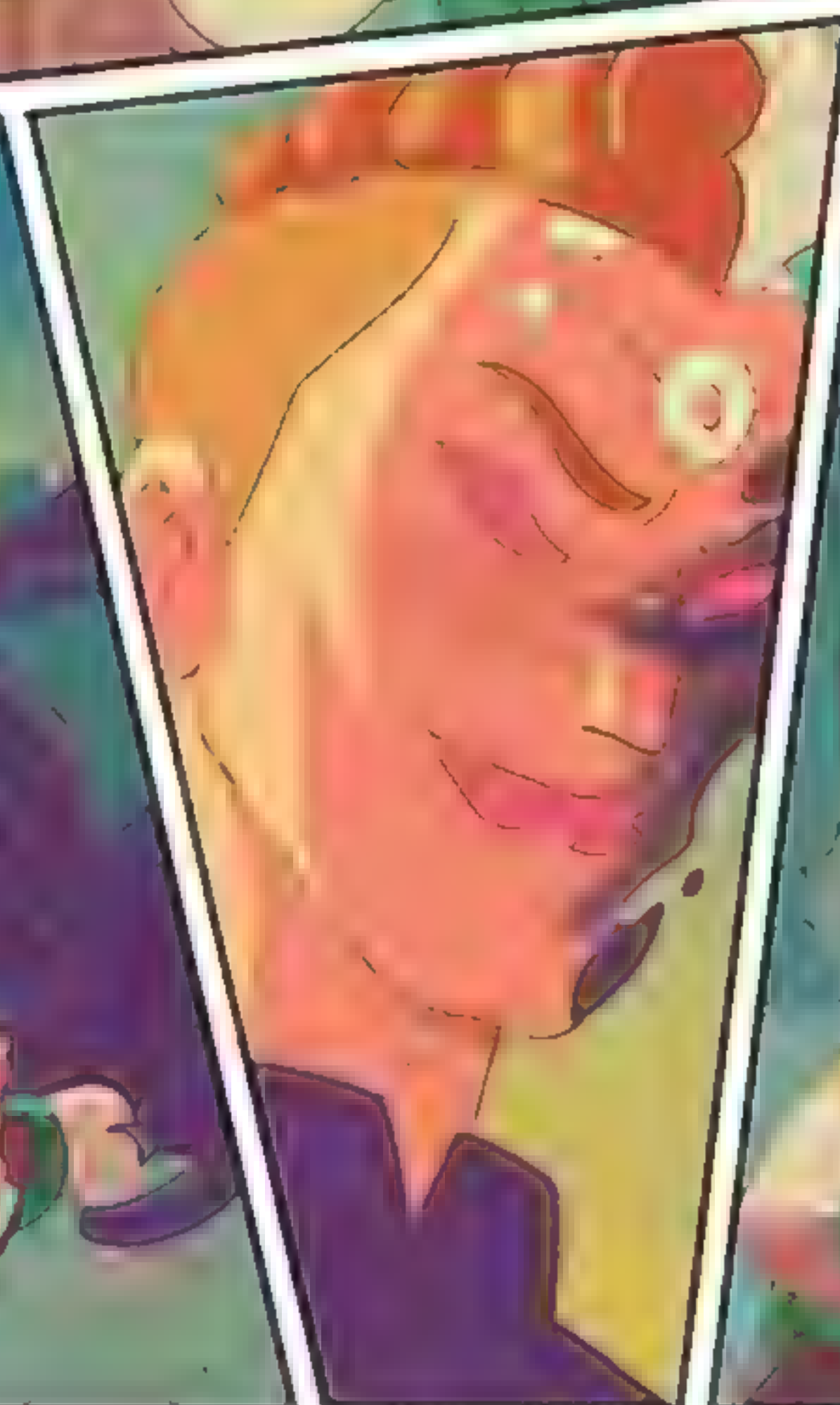
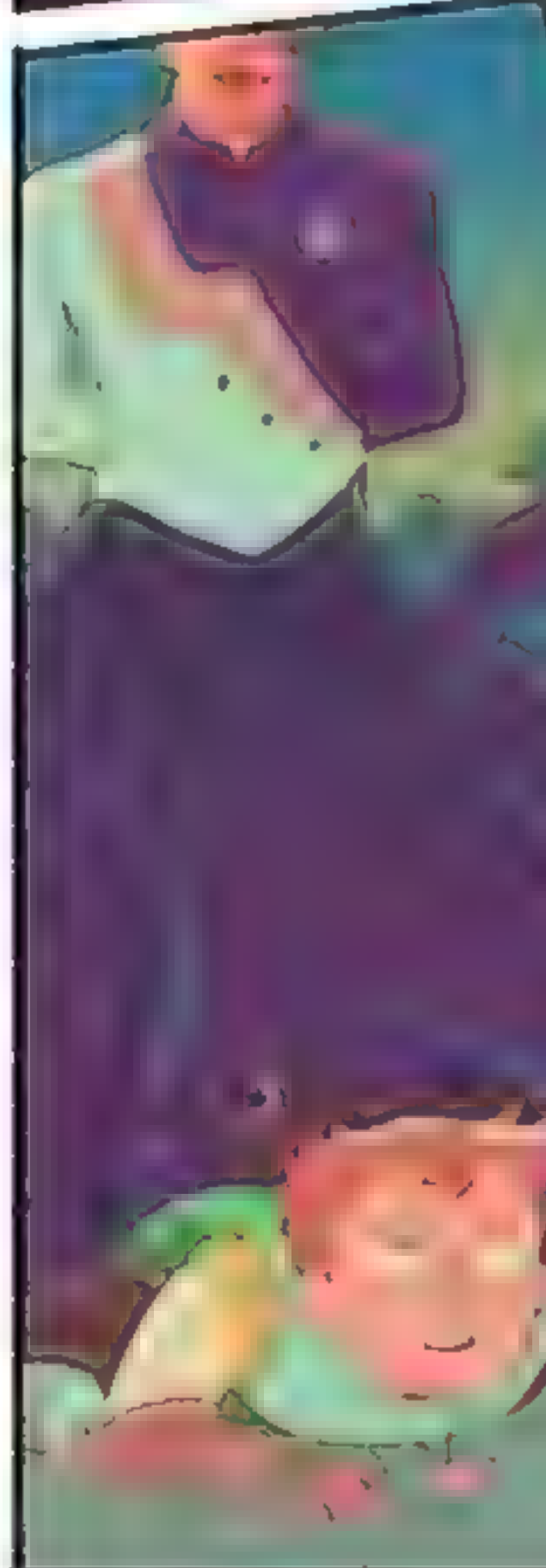
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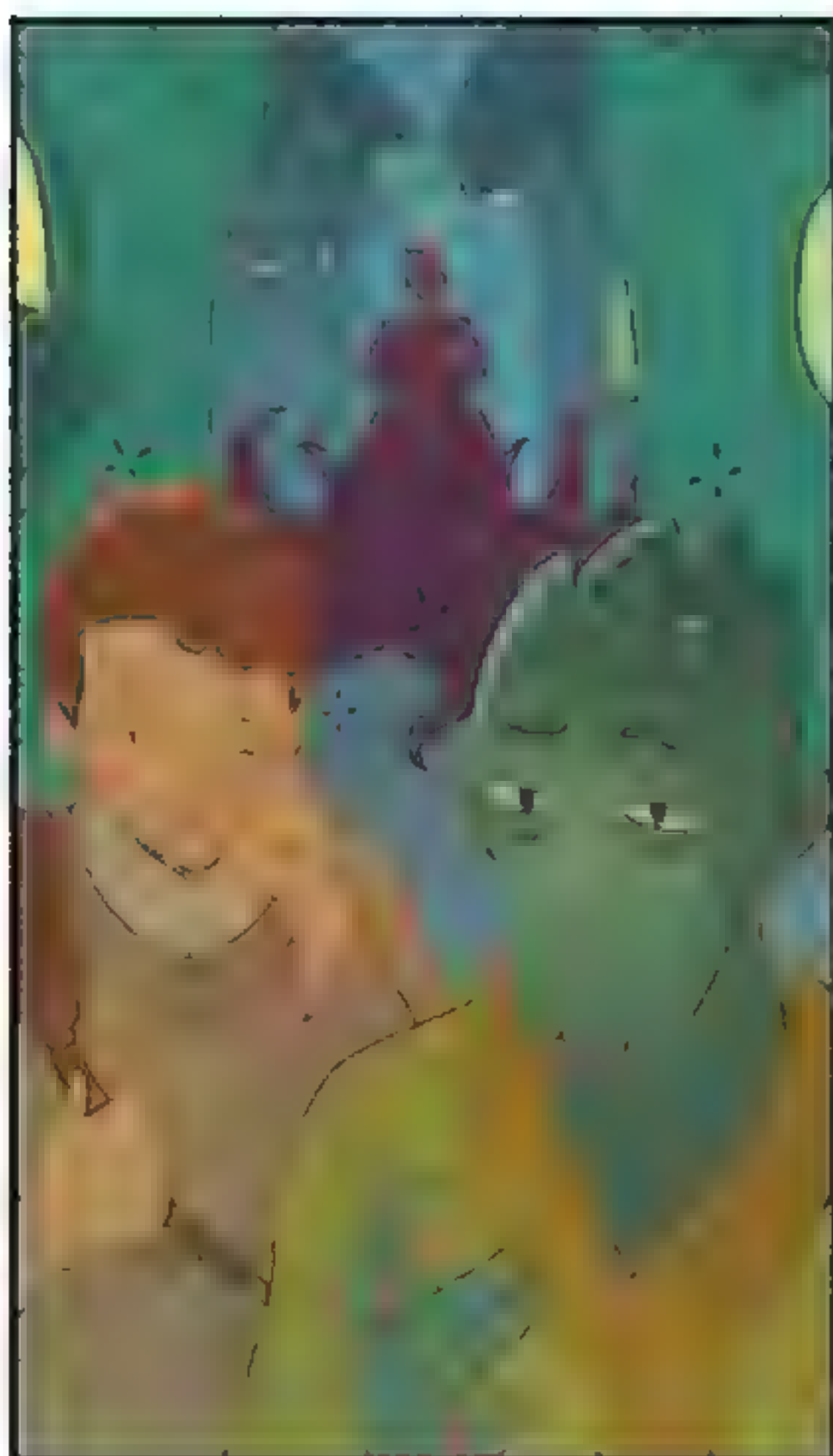
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NO RUNNING
AWAY THIS
TIME, LITTLE
PRINCE!





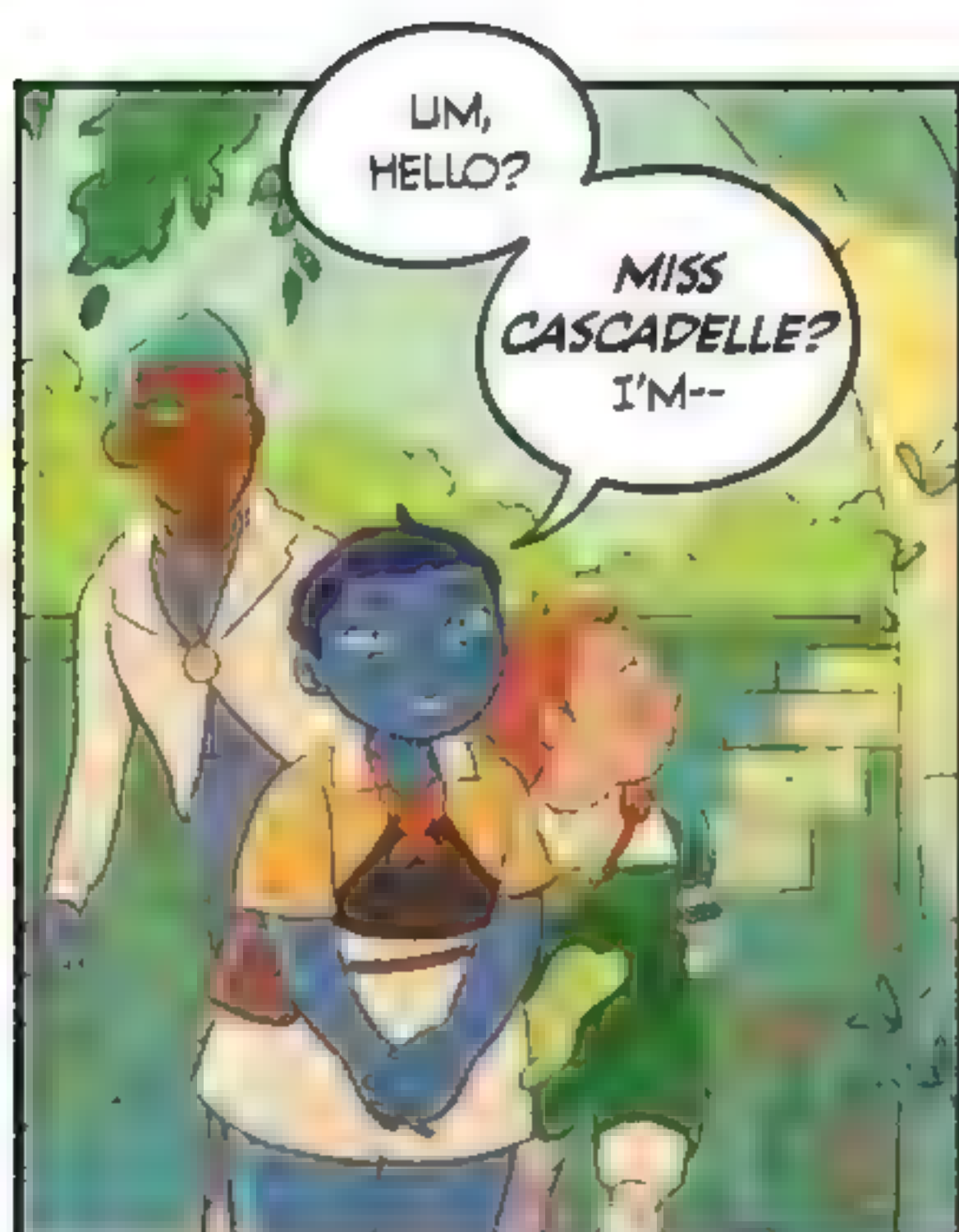




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AT CASCADELLE'S

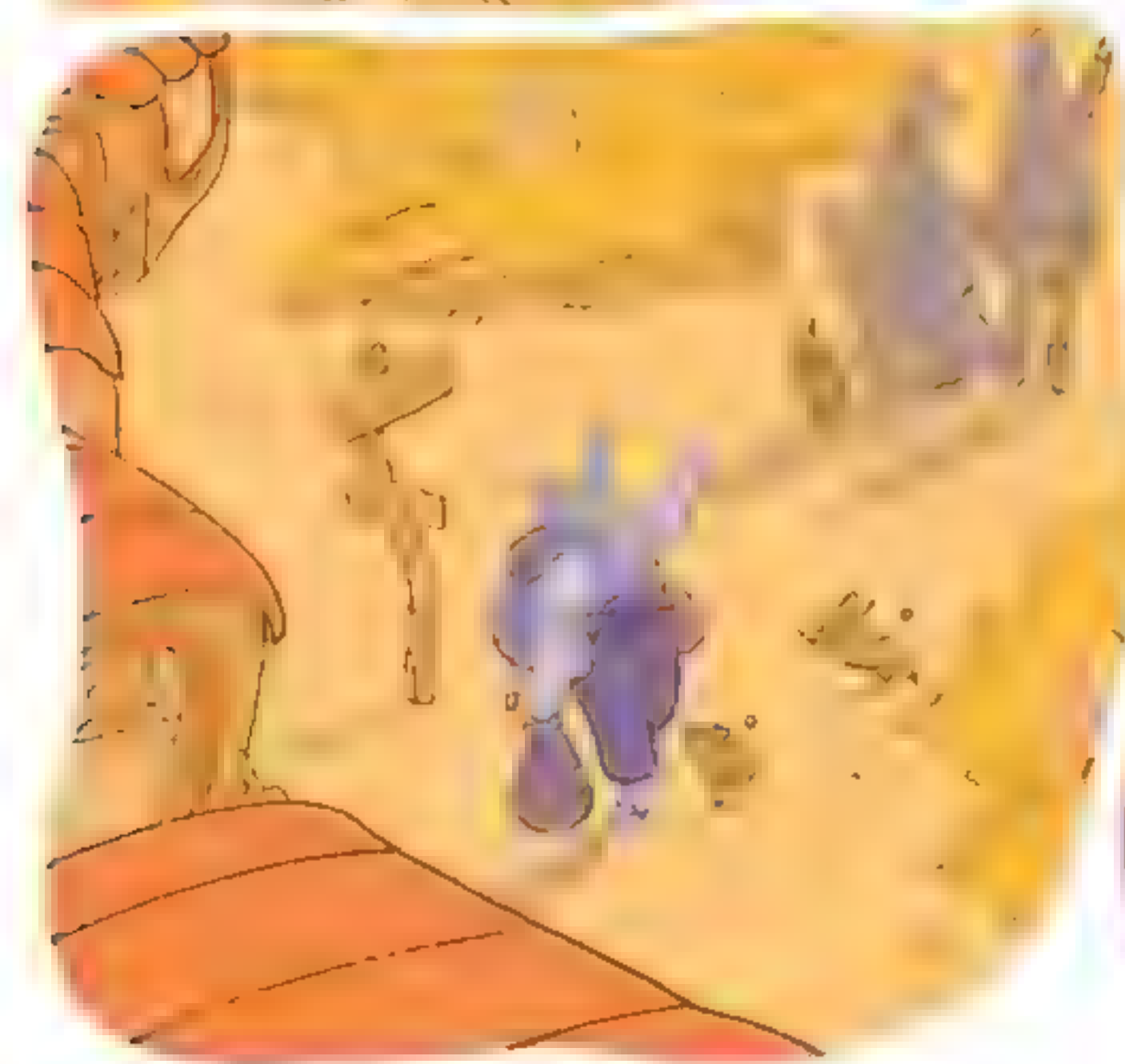
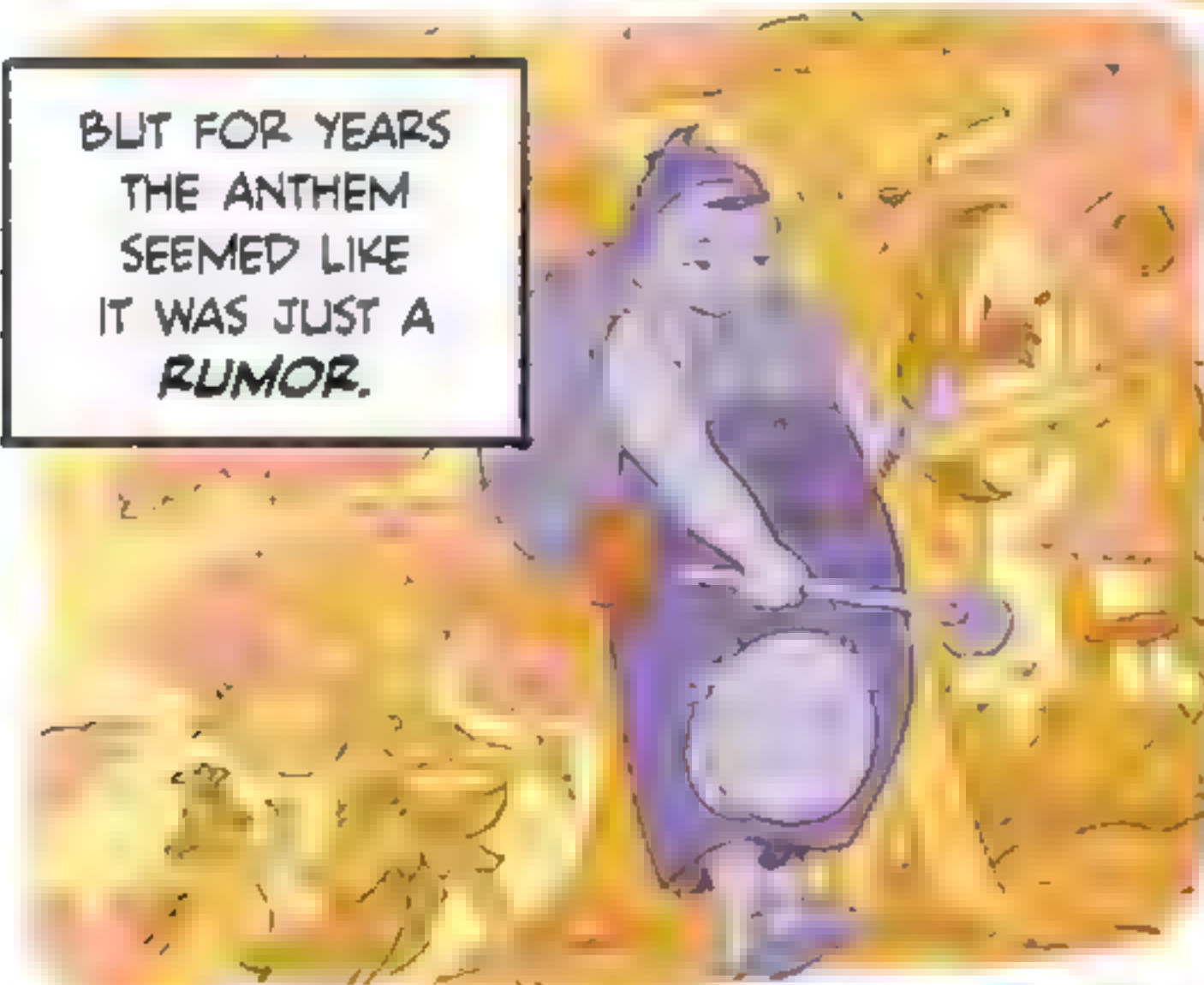
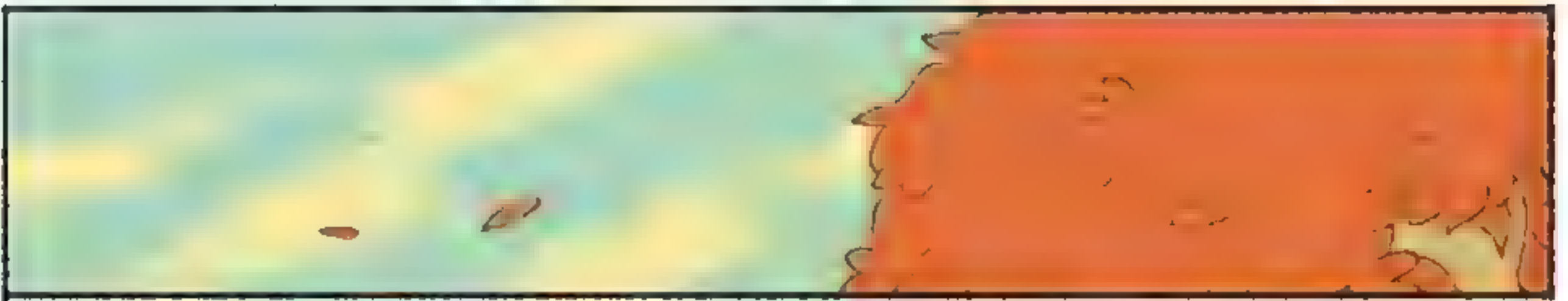


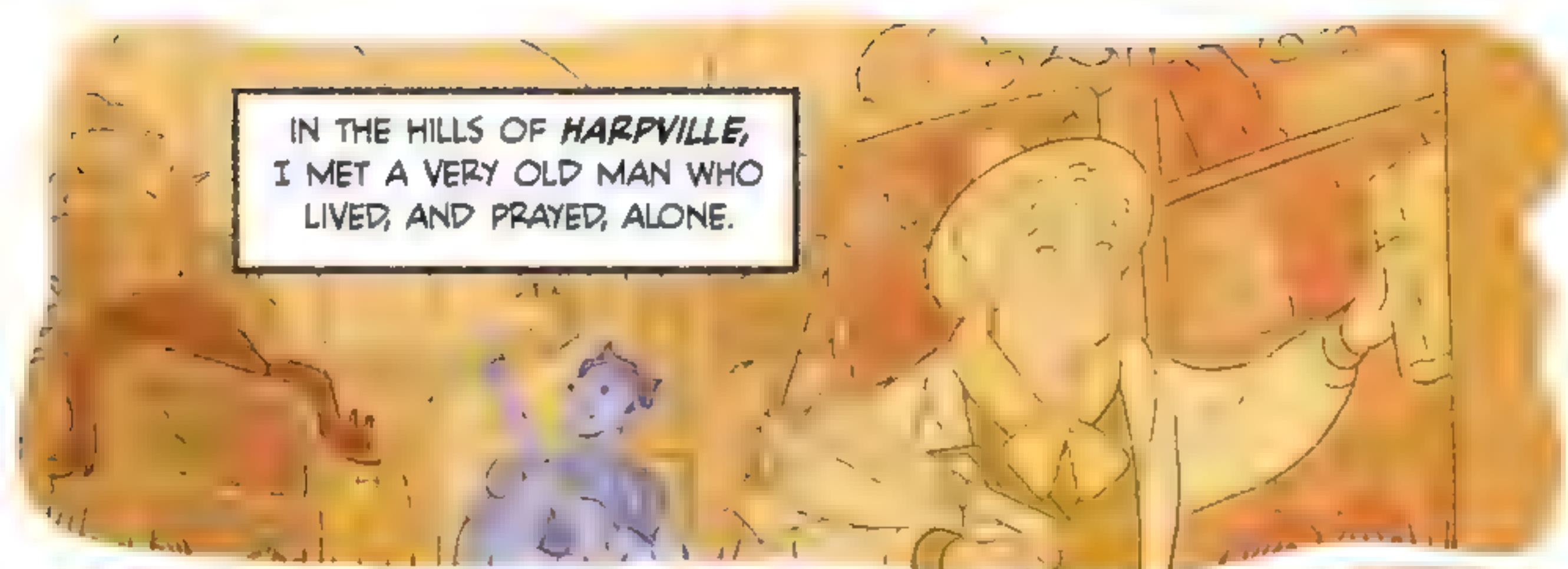


DONA! I'M SO
GLAD TO FINALLY
MEET YOU! THE
REAL "TOKI GIRL
FROM MON
DOMANI"!

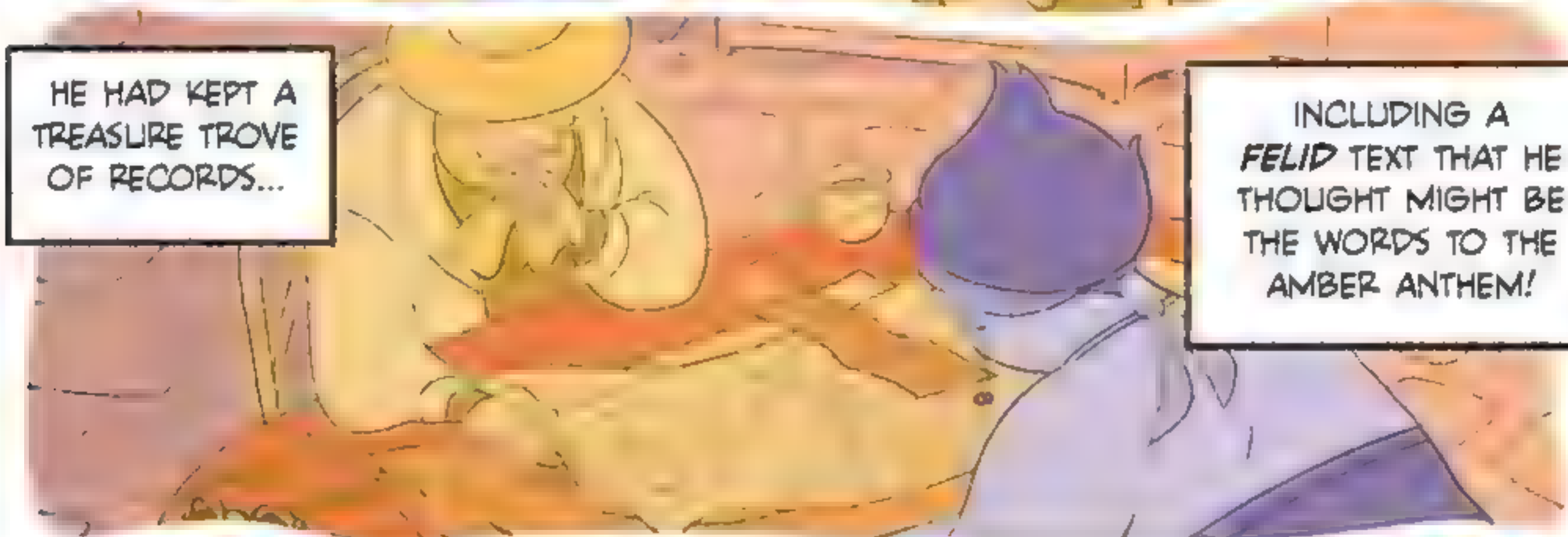
THANK YOU
FOR INVITING
US. IT'S AN
HONOR--





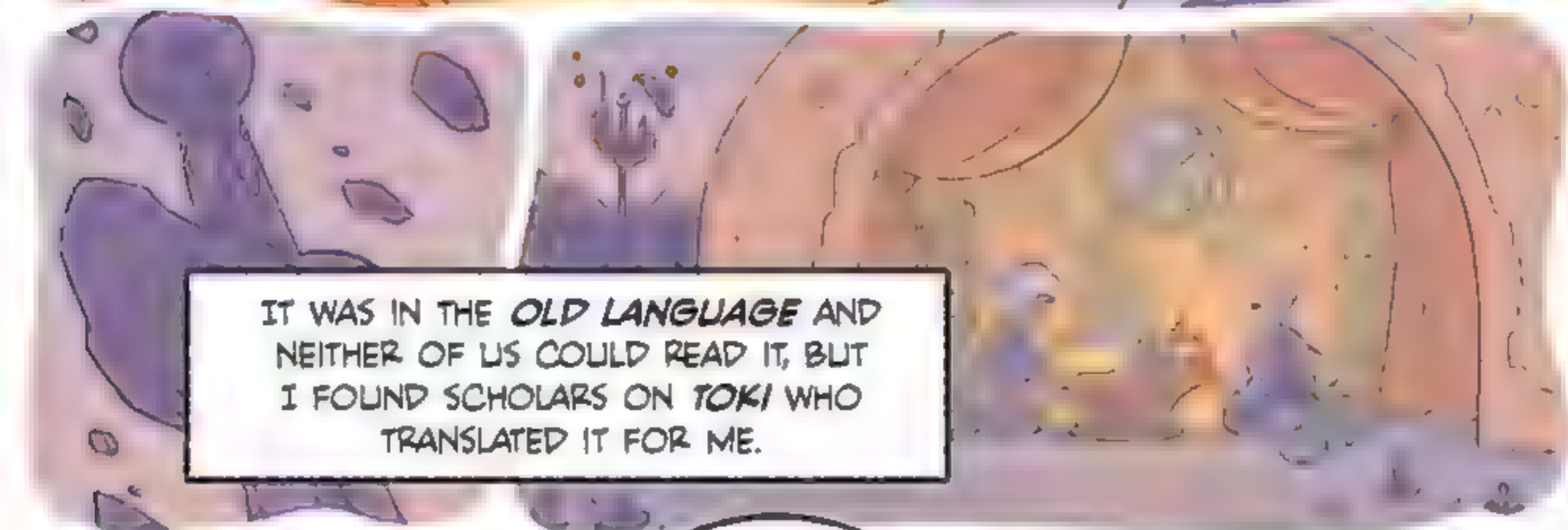


IN THE HILLS OF *HARPVILLE*,
I MET A VERY OLD MAN WHO
LIVED, AND PRAYED, ALONE.



HE HAD KEPT A
TREASURE TROVE
OF RECORDS...

INCLUDING A
FELID TEXT THAT HE
THOUGHT MIGHT BE
THE WORDS TO THE
AMBER ANTHEM!



IT WAS IN THE *OLD LANGUAGE* AND
NEITHER OF US COULD READ IT, BUT
I FOUND SCHOLARS ON *TOKI* WHO
TRANSLATED IT FOR ME.



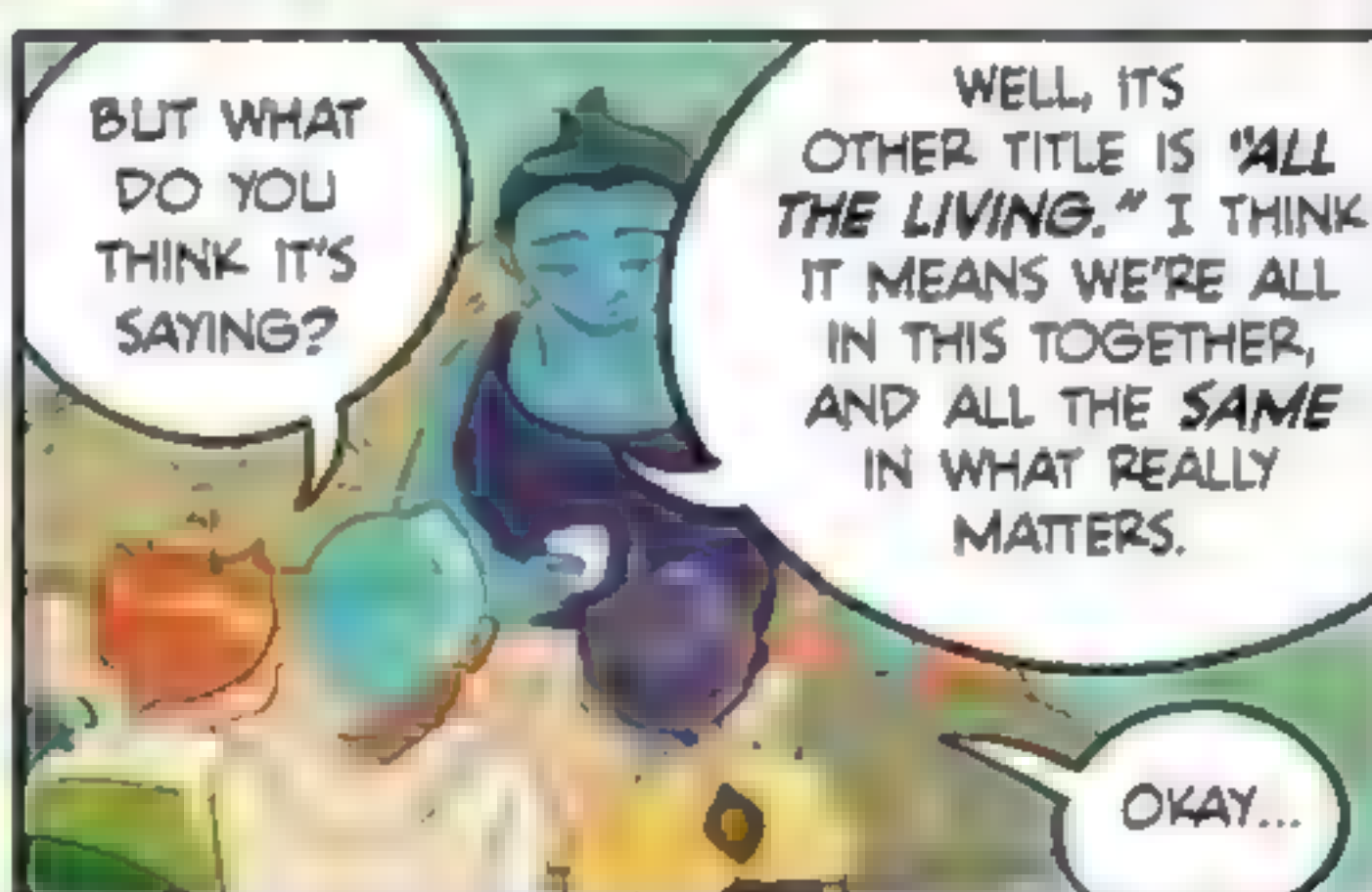
HERE, HAVE
A LOOK.



A LITTLE
HARD TO
UNDERSTAND,
ISN'T IT?



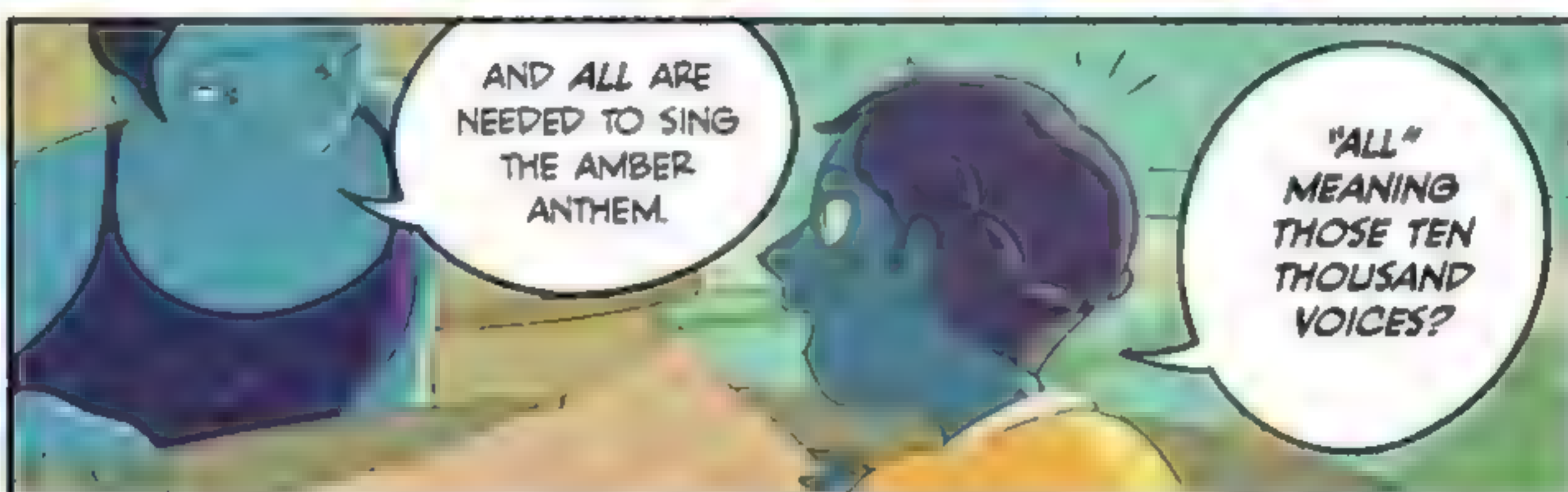
I THINK
YOU'RE SUPPOSED
TO *FEEL* IT, EVEN
IF YOU DON'T
UNDERSTAND
ALL THE WORDS.



BUT WHAT
DO YOU
THINK IT'S
SAYING?

WELL, ITS
OTHER TITLE IS "*ALL
THE LIVING.*" I THINK
IT MEANS WE'RE ALL
IN THIS TOGETHER,
AND ALL THE *SAME*
IN WHAT REALLY
MATTERS.

OKAY...



AND *ALL* ARE
NEEDED TO SING
THE AMBER
ANTHEM.

"*ALL*"
MEANING
THOSE TEN
THOUSAND
VOICES?



YES, BUT
THINGS GET
A BIT *TRICKY*
AT THIS
POINT....

"*TRICKY*"?

I THOUGHT
THINGS GOT
TRICKY THE
MOMENT WE
LANDED HERE!



WELL, IT SAYS HERE
THE TEN THOUSAND
VOICES HAVE TO
REPRESENT THE "FIVE
RACES."



FIVE
RACES?!



WAIT, WE NEED NOT JUST TEN
THOUSAND PEOPLE BUT ALSO
FIVE RACES TO LIGHT THIS
BEACON?!

I HAVEN'T BEEN
ABLE TO FIGURE
OUT WHAT THE
FIVE RACES ARE.



DOES IT MEAN **BLUE-SKINNED**
TOKI LIKE YOU AND ME--ONE
RACE--AND **SALASSI** PEOPLE AS
ANOTHER RACE...?

NO,
THIS HERE
SUGGESTS ALL
FLESHY HUMANS
ARE **ONE**
RACE.

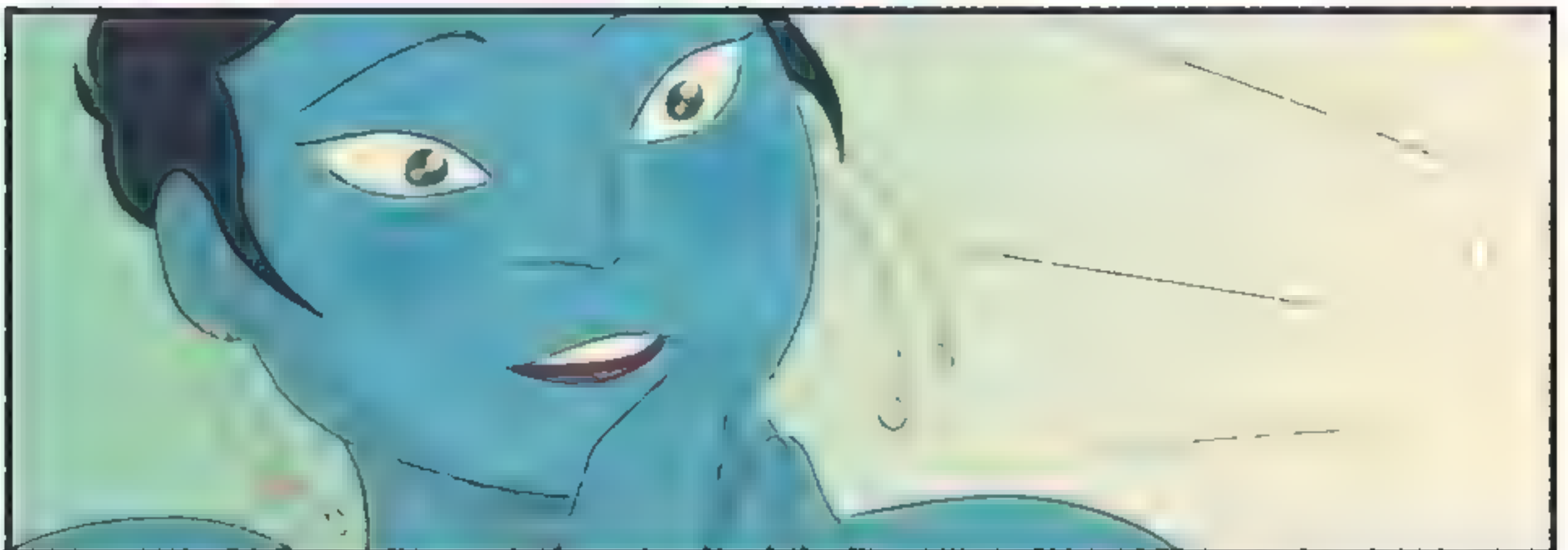
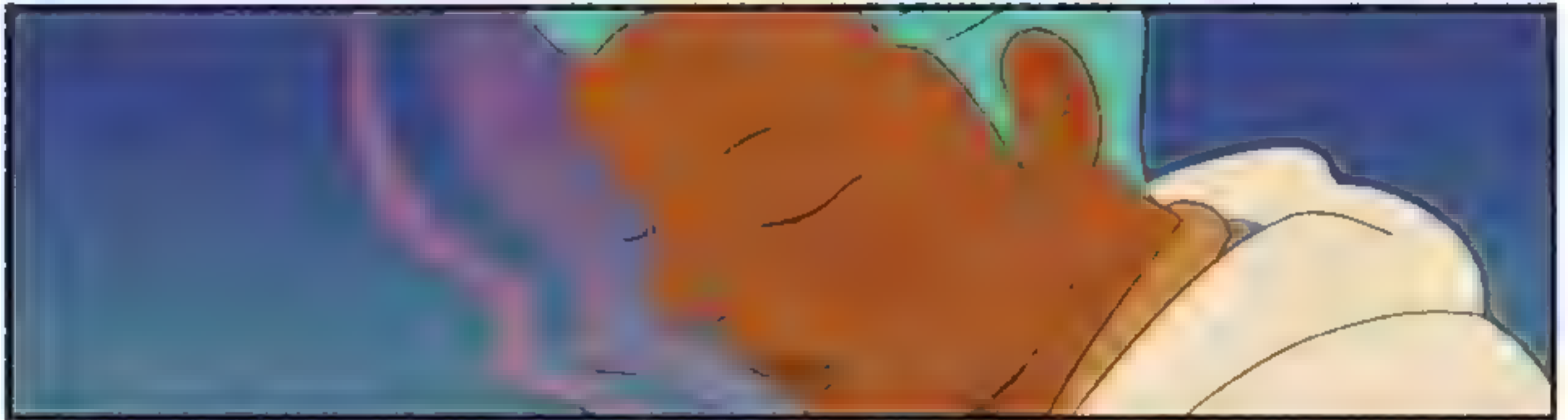


THERE'S
THE **PLANT**
PEOPLE, LIKE
ASH, **SYCAMORE**,
AND **CEDAR**
OVER THERE.
THAT'S TWO.



AND THE
KYOJIN! THAT
MAKES THREE.

EXACTLY--THE
KYOJIN, LIKE
URUM OVER
HERE.







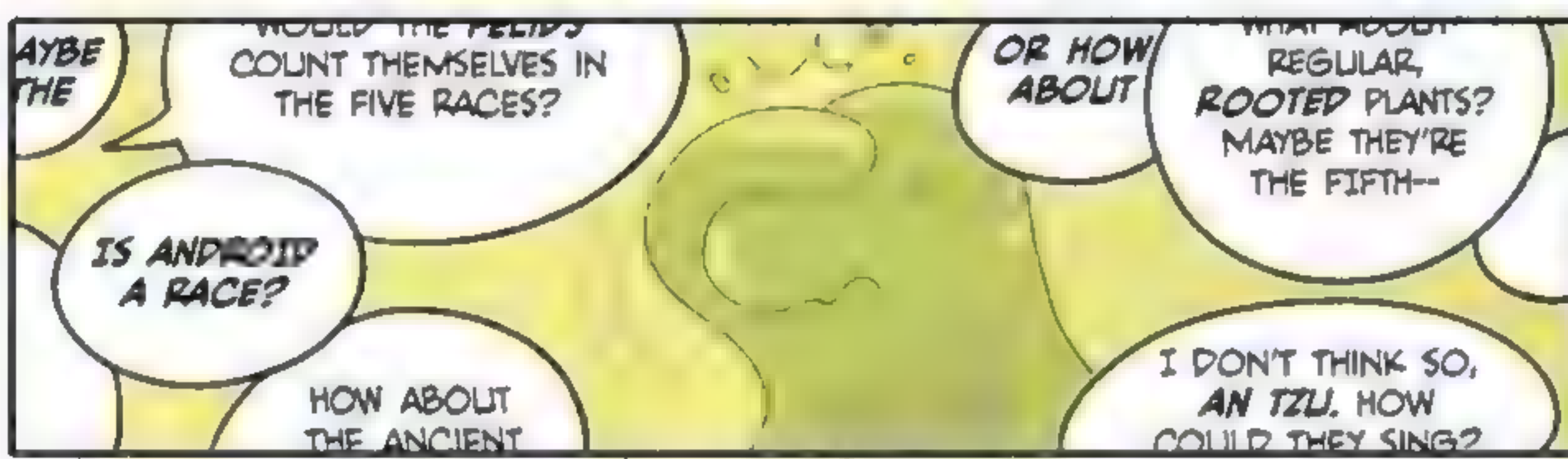
SPIRAL SQUIGGLE WITH LITTLE LEGS. WHERE HAVE I SEEN THAT BEFORE...?



COULD IT BE THE LIVING SAND? MAYBE IT'S AN ANIFORM!

BUT THAT'S PART OF YOU...

HOW ABOUT THE PTUHULI BIRDS?



MAYBE THE

WOULD THE FELIDS COUNT THEMSELVES IN THE FIVE RACES?

OR HOW ABOUT

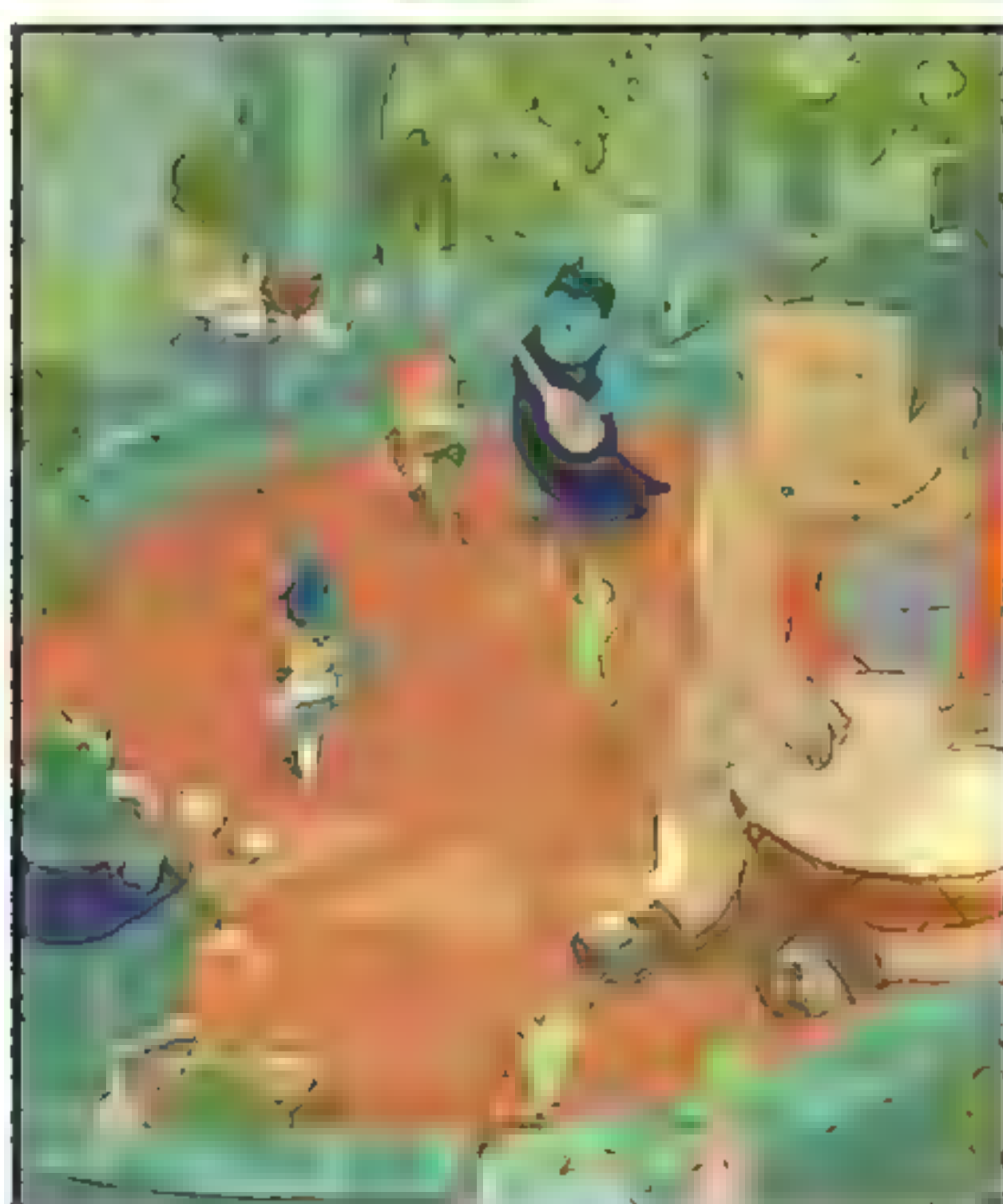
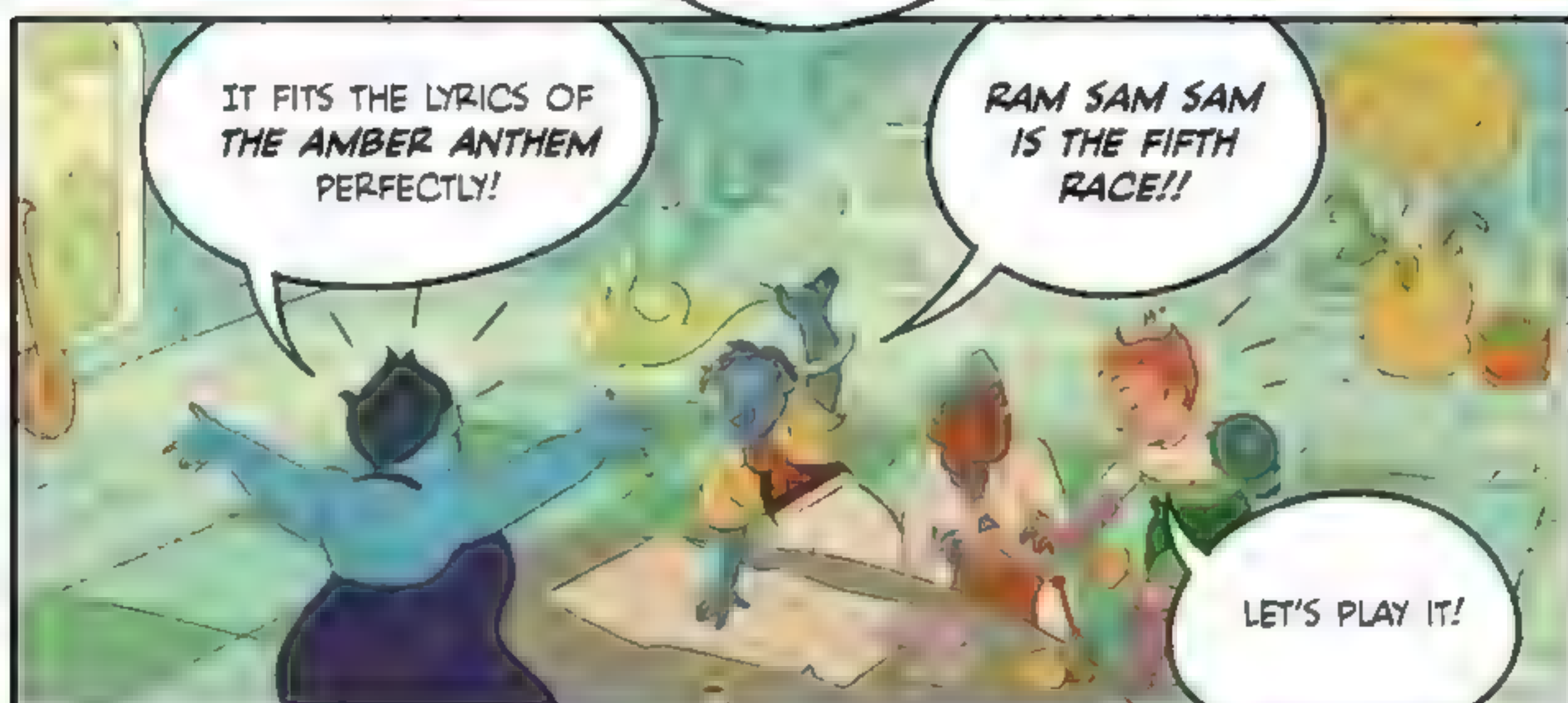
WHAT ABOUT REGULAR ROOTED PLANTS? MAYBE THEY'RE THE FIFTH--

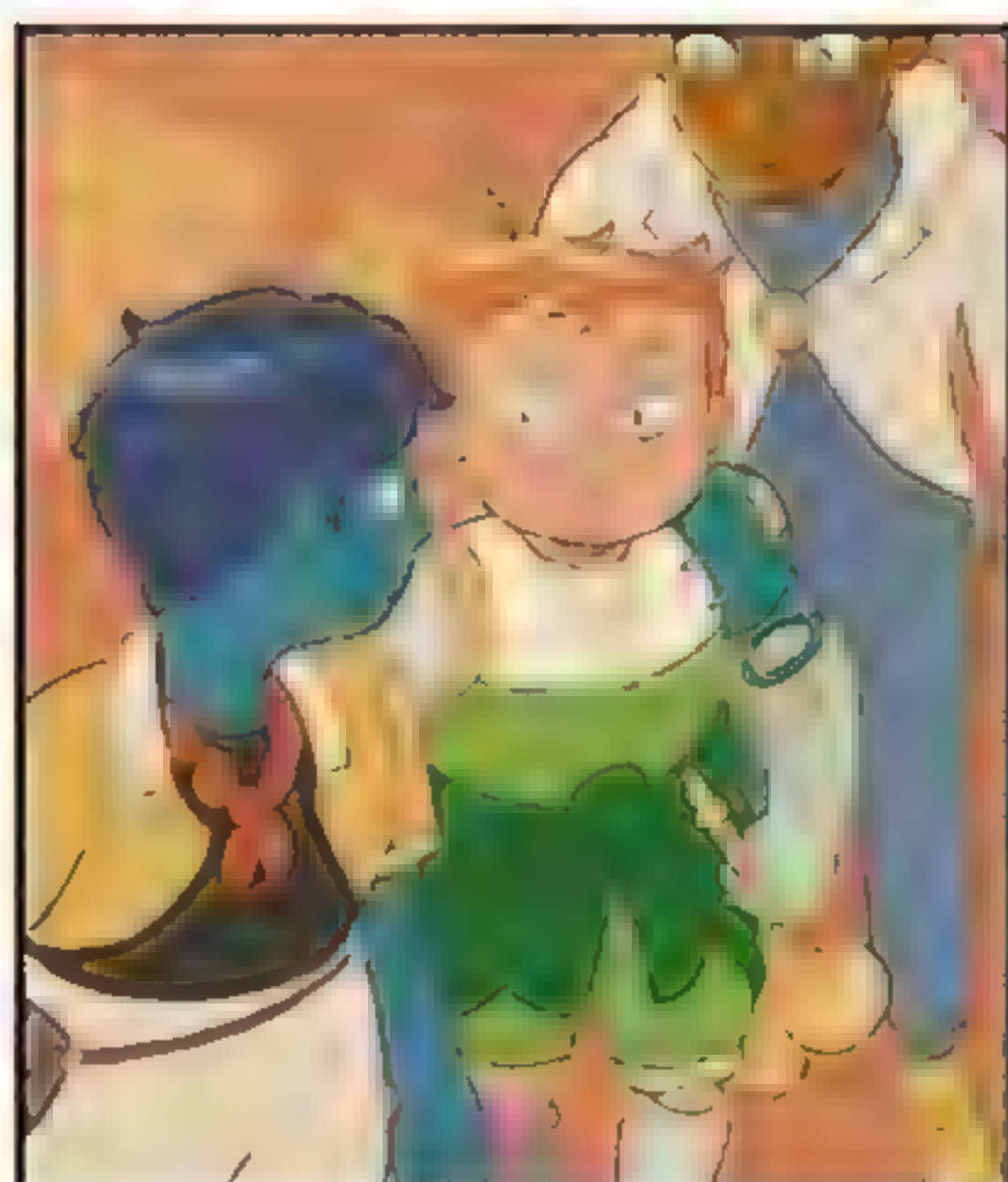
IS ANDROID A RACE?

HOW ABOUT THE ANCIENT

I DON'T THINK SO, AN TZU. HOW COULD THEY SING?







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COMMUNION



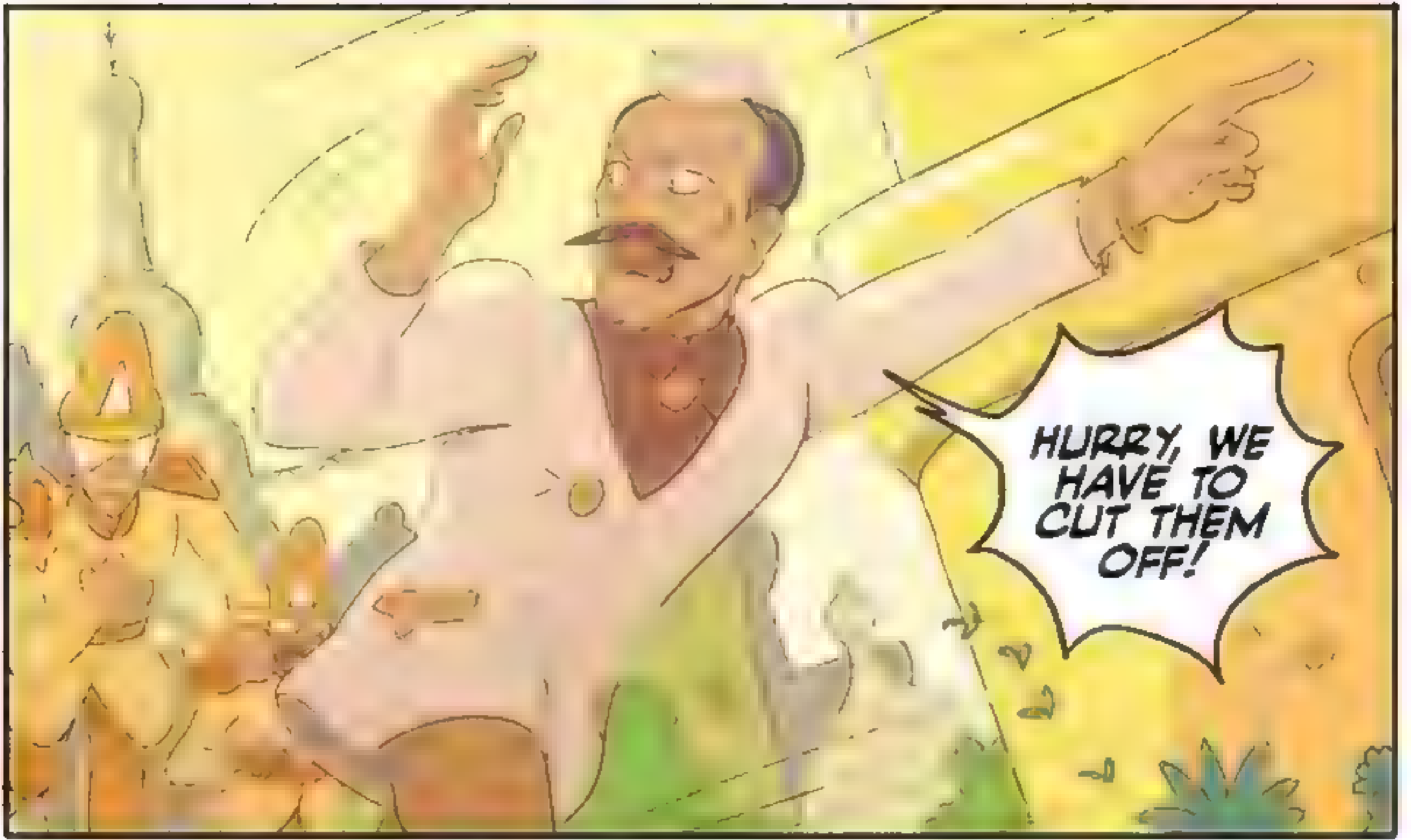
IT'S
CASCADELLE!
GO GET YOUR
MAMA! QUICK!

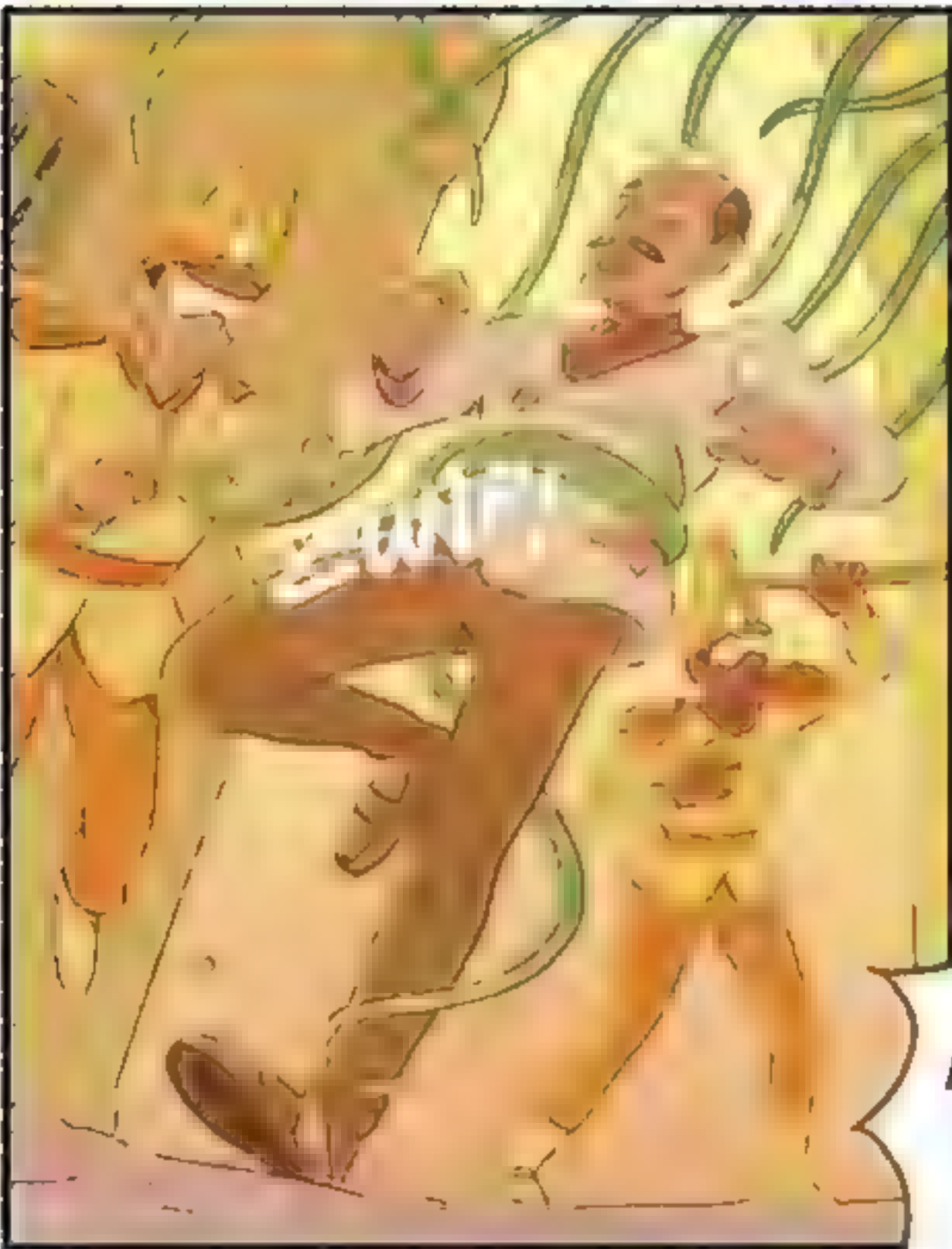
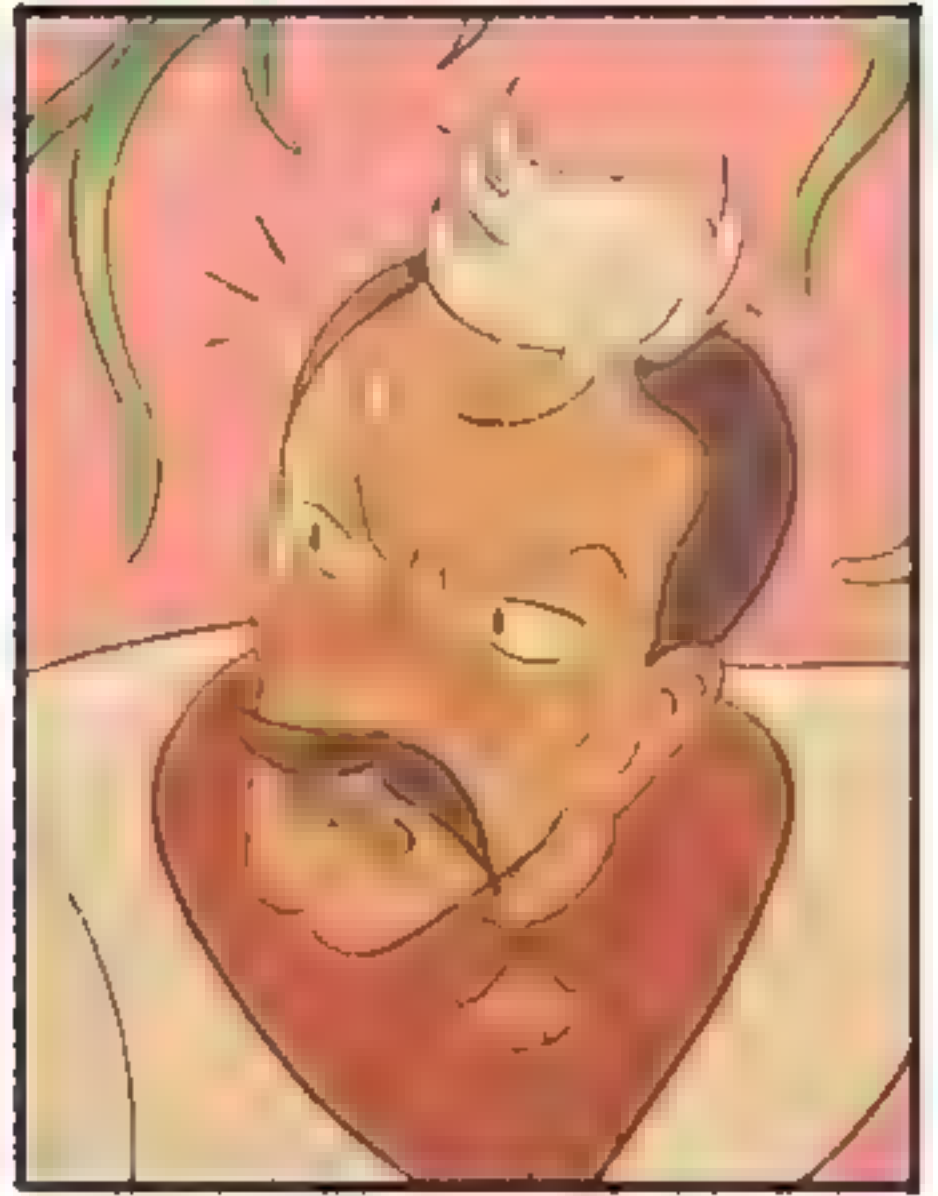


CASCADELLE!!
IT'S REALLY
HER!

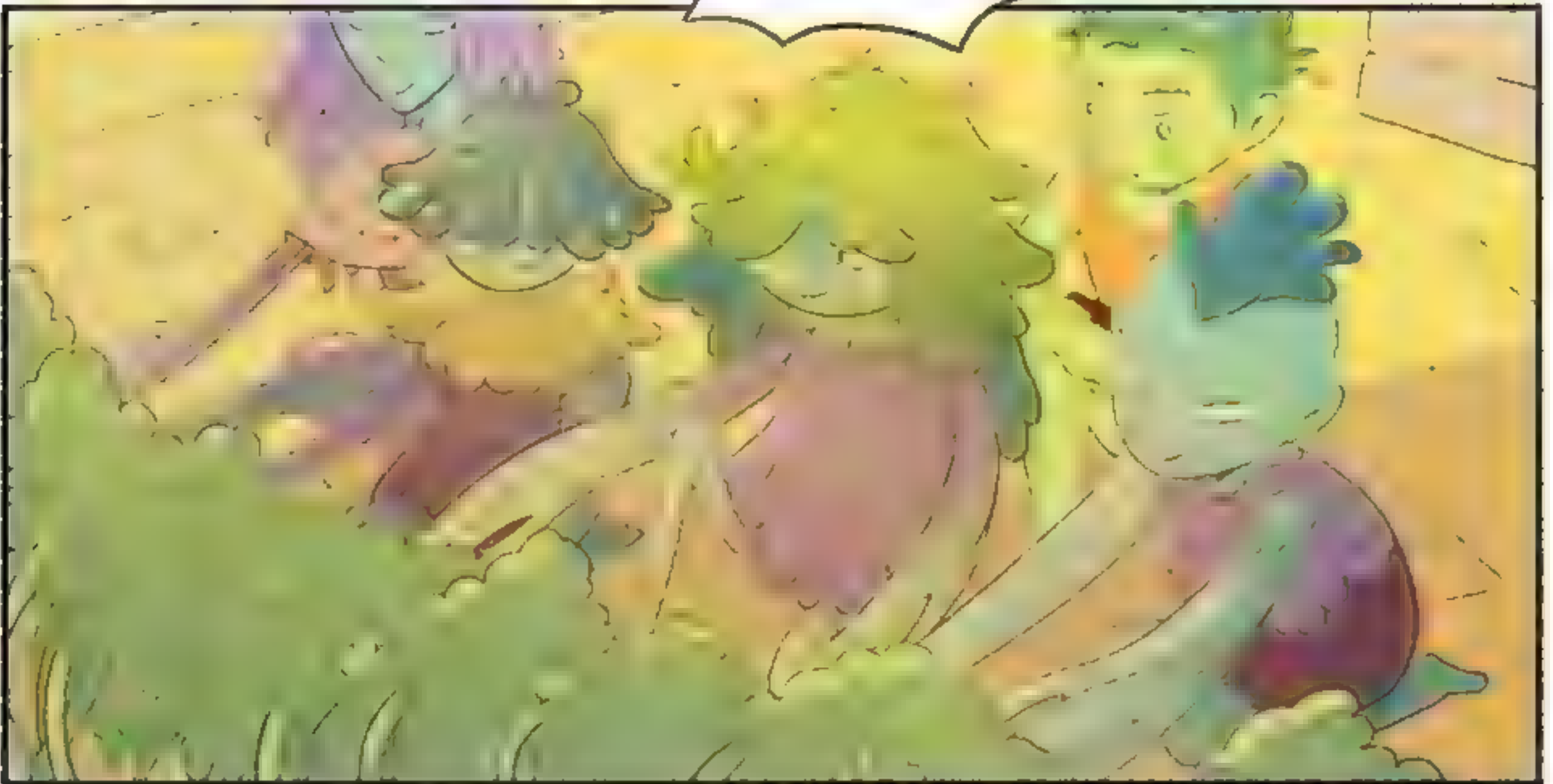


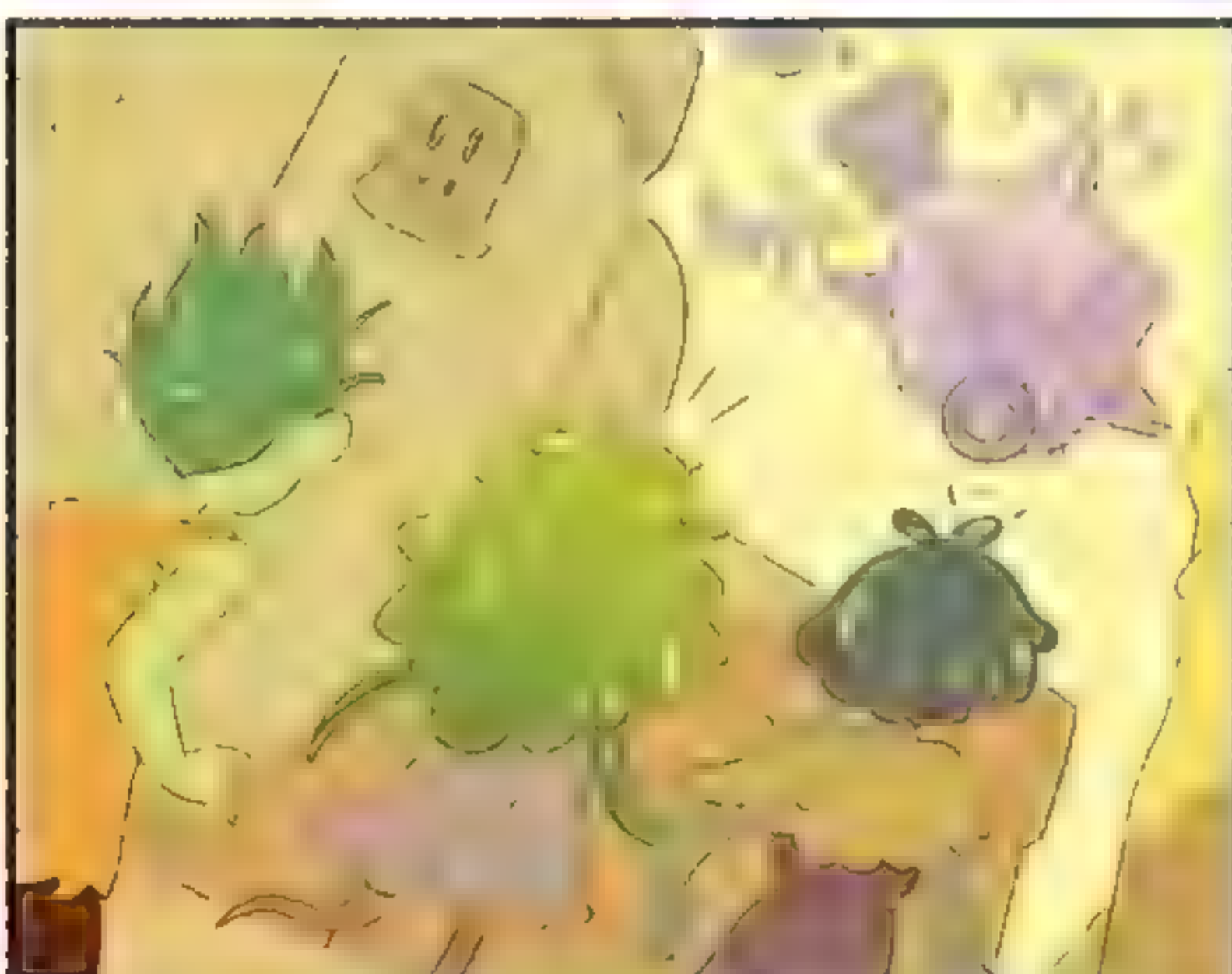
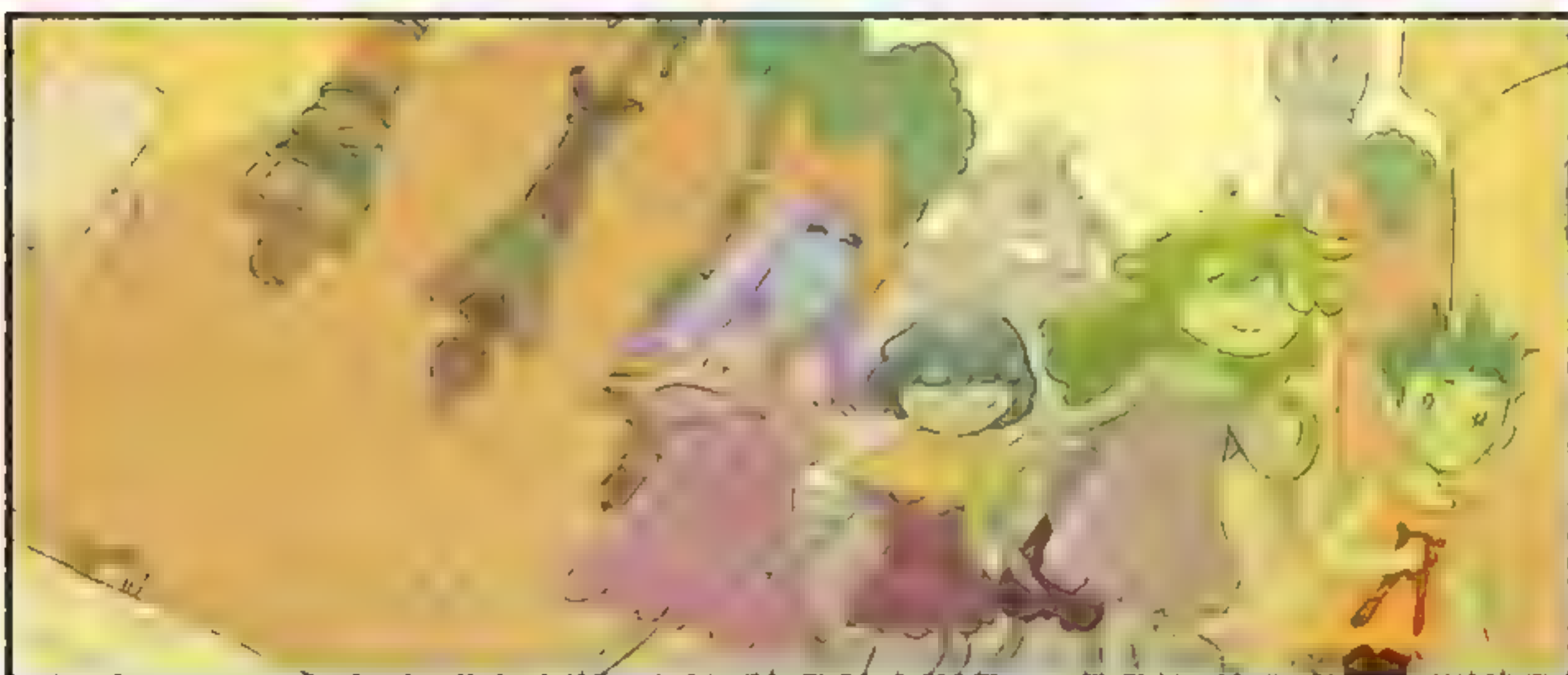
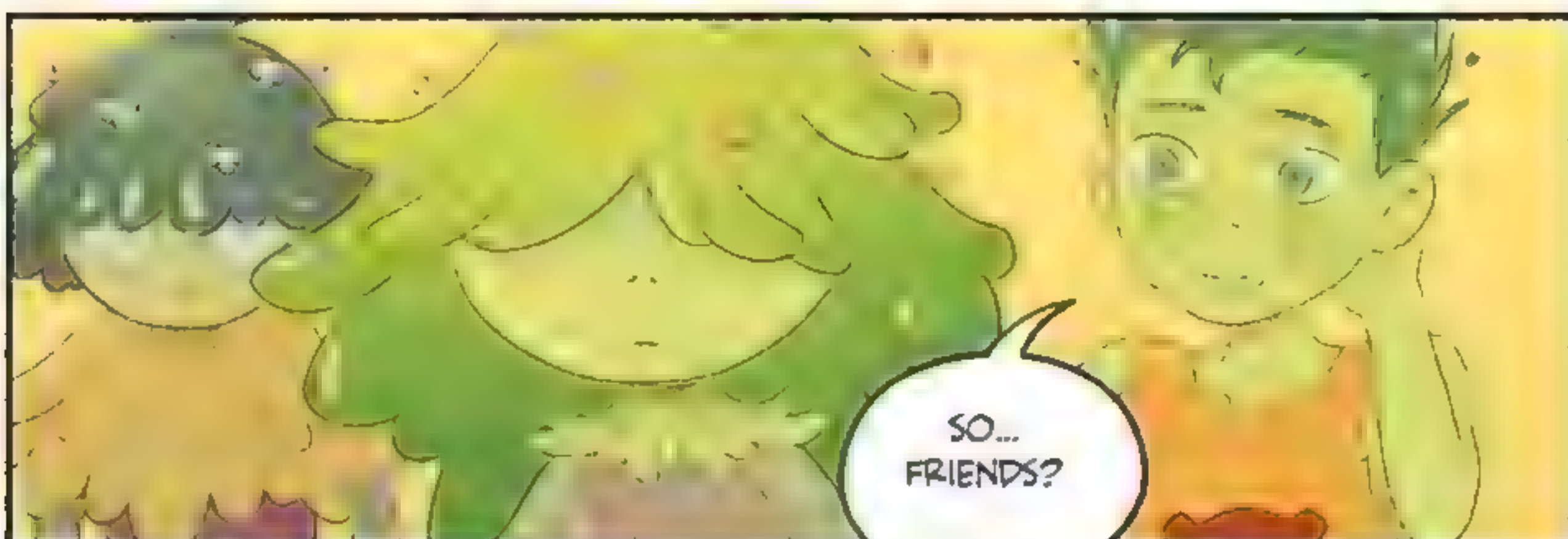






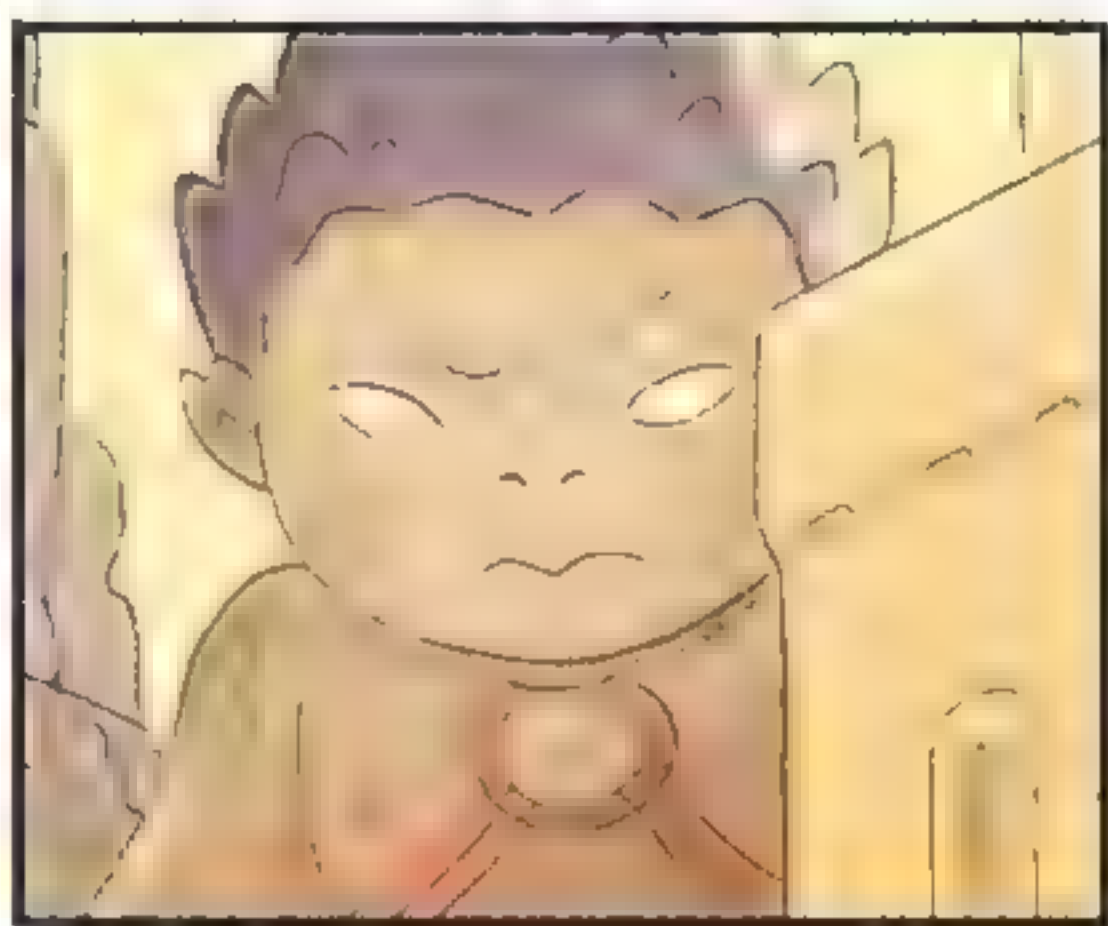
PUT ME DOWN
AT ONCE! IN
THE NAME OF
THE LAW...

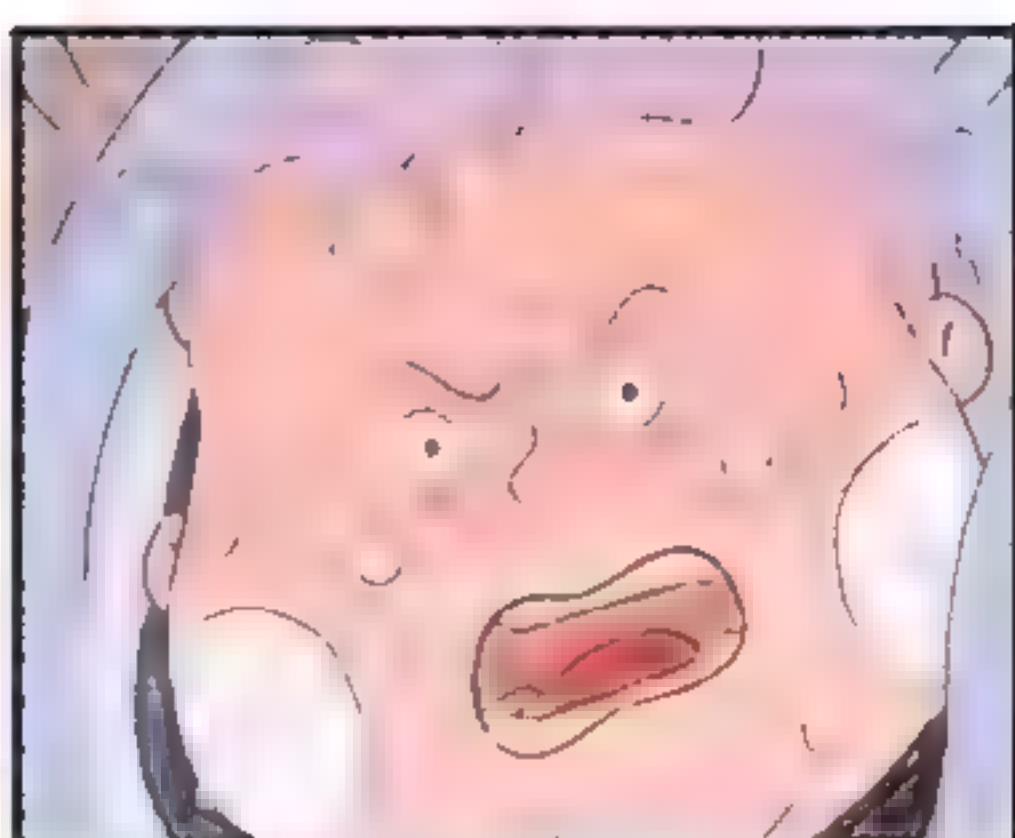






COMING IN FOR A CLOSER LOOK AT THESE THUGS...



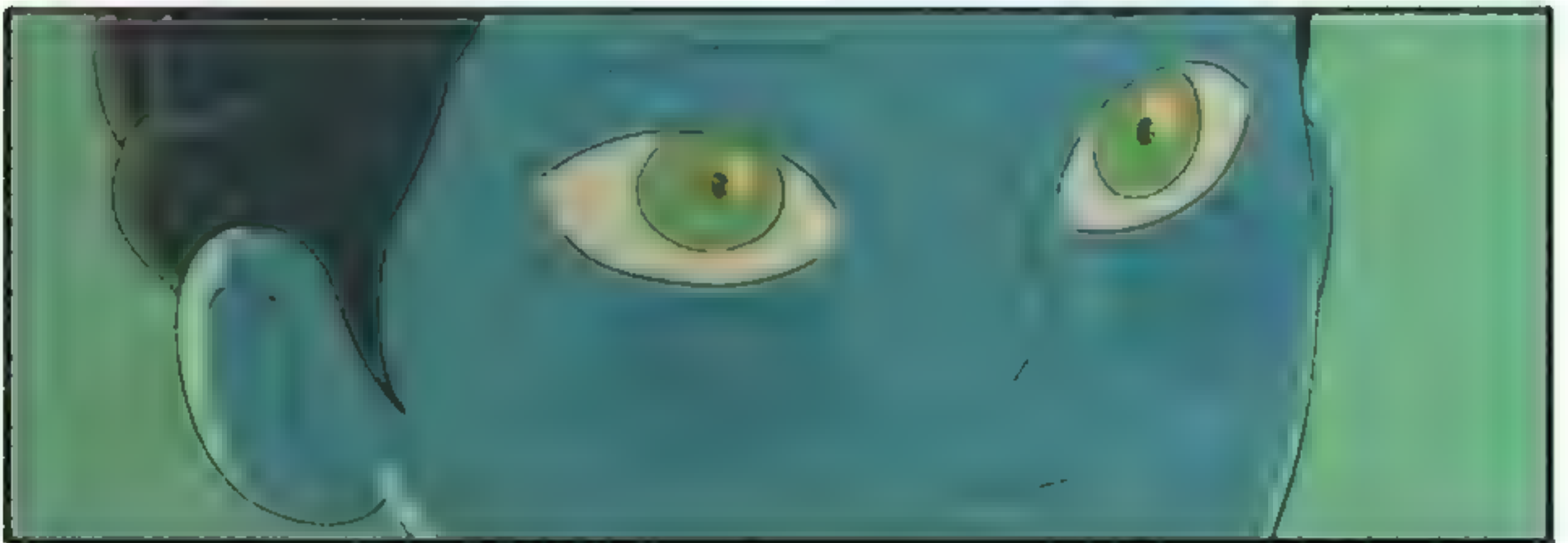


HOW DARE
YOU?! I'LL...

I'LL... TELL
MR. MOON
ABOUT THIS!

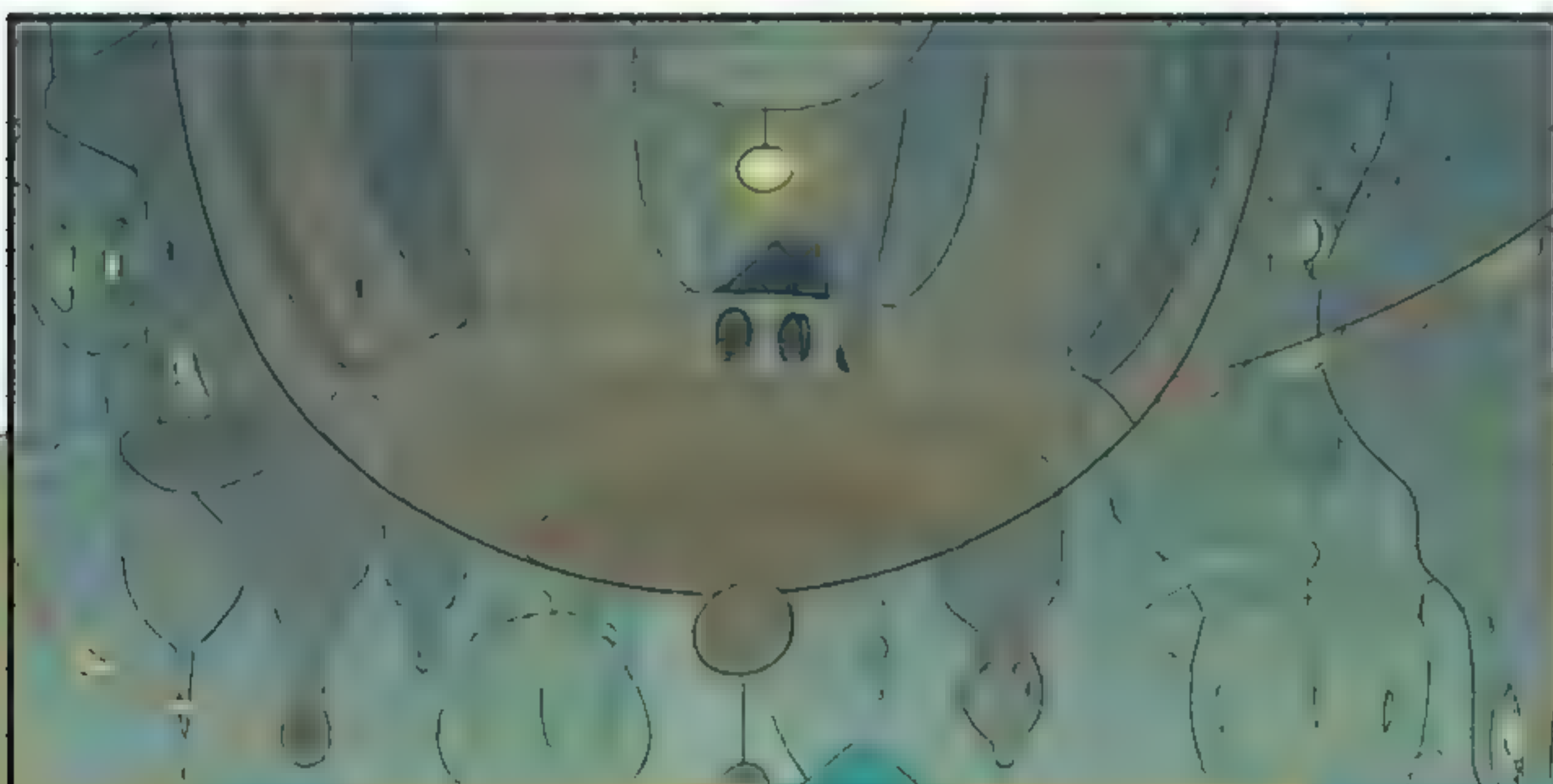
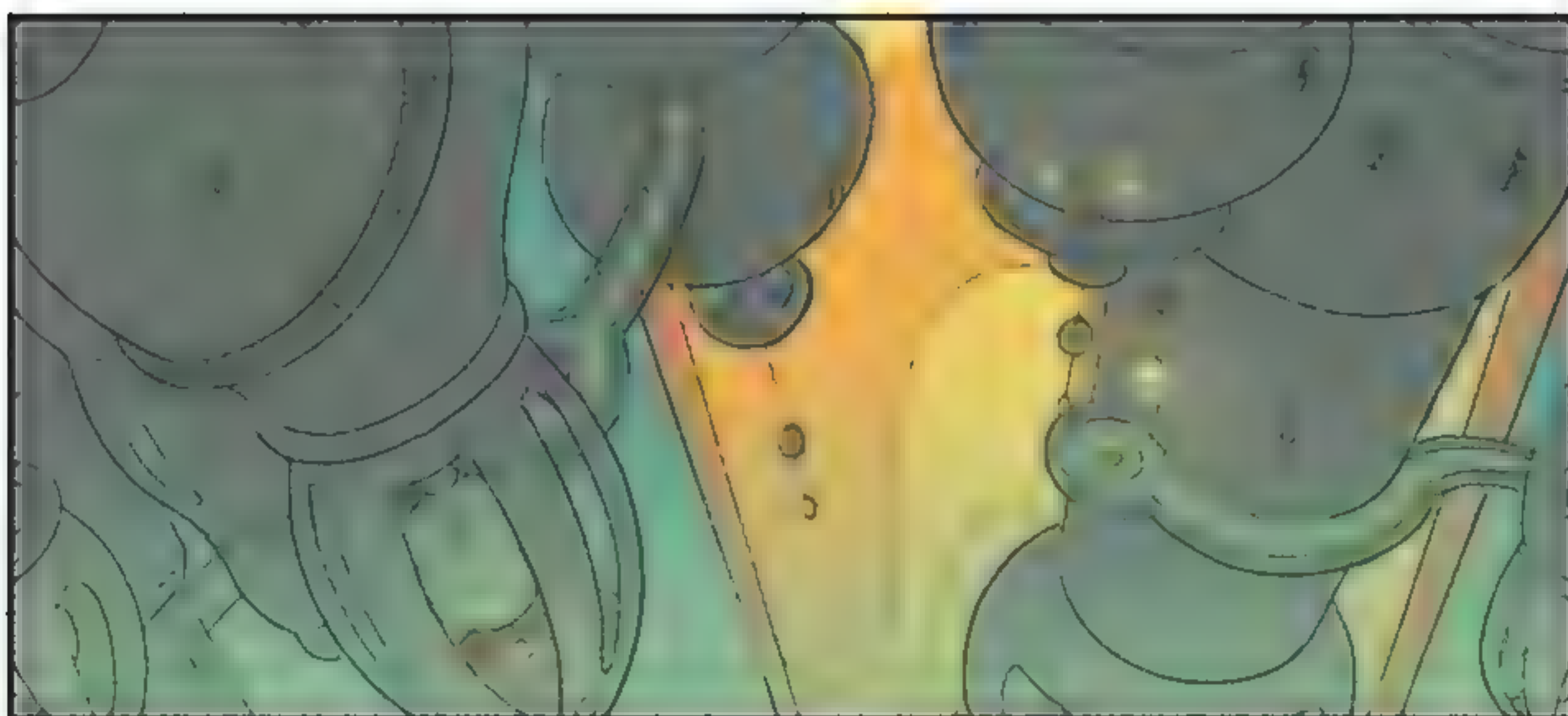


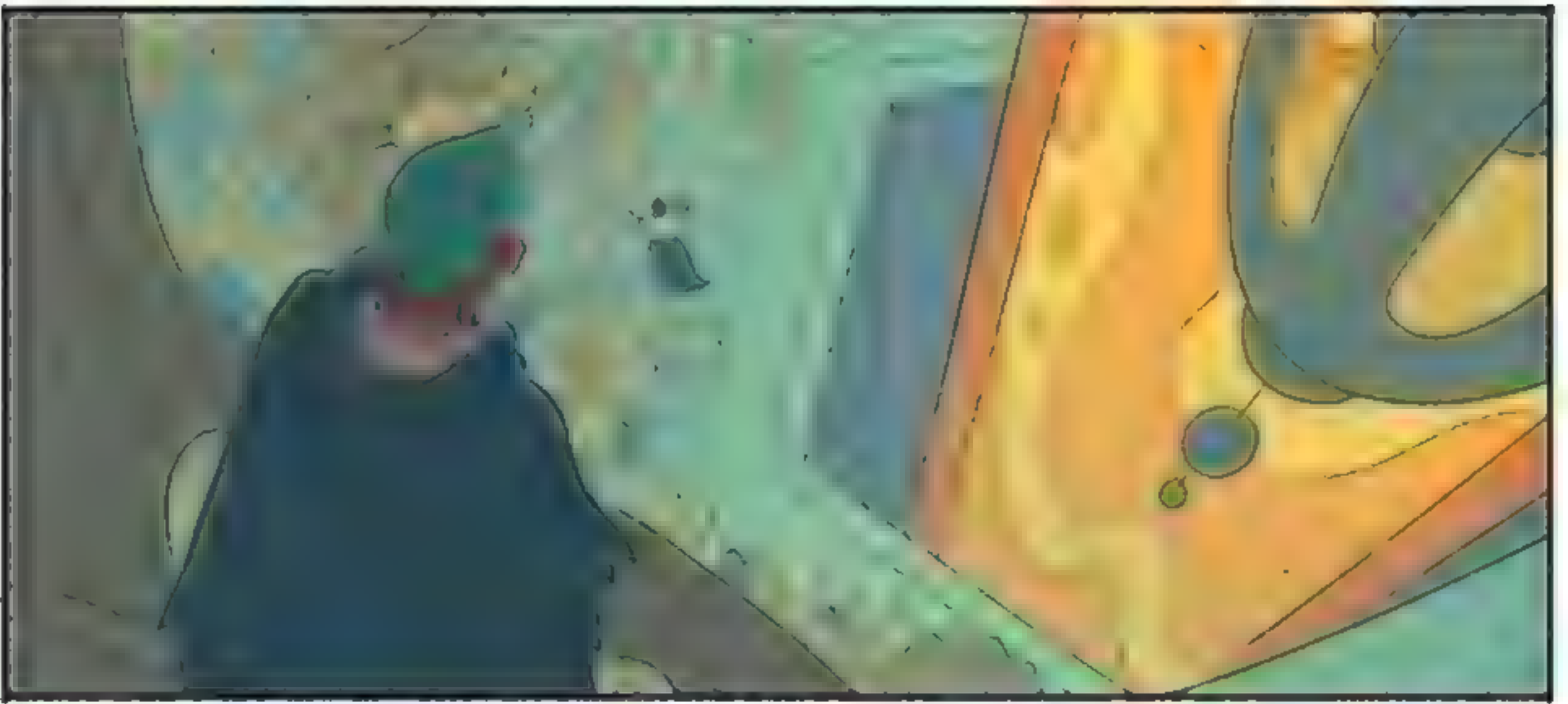


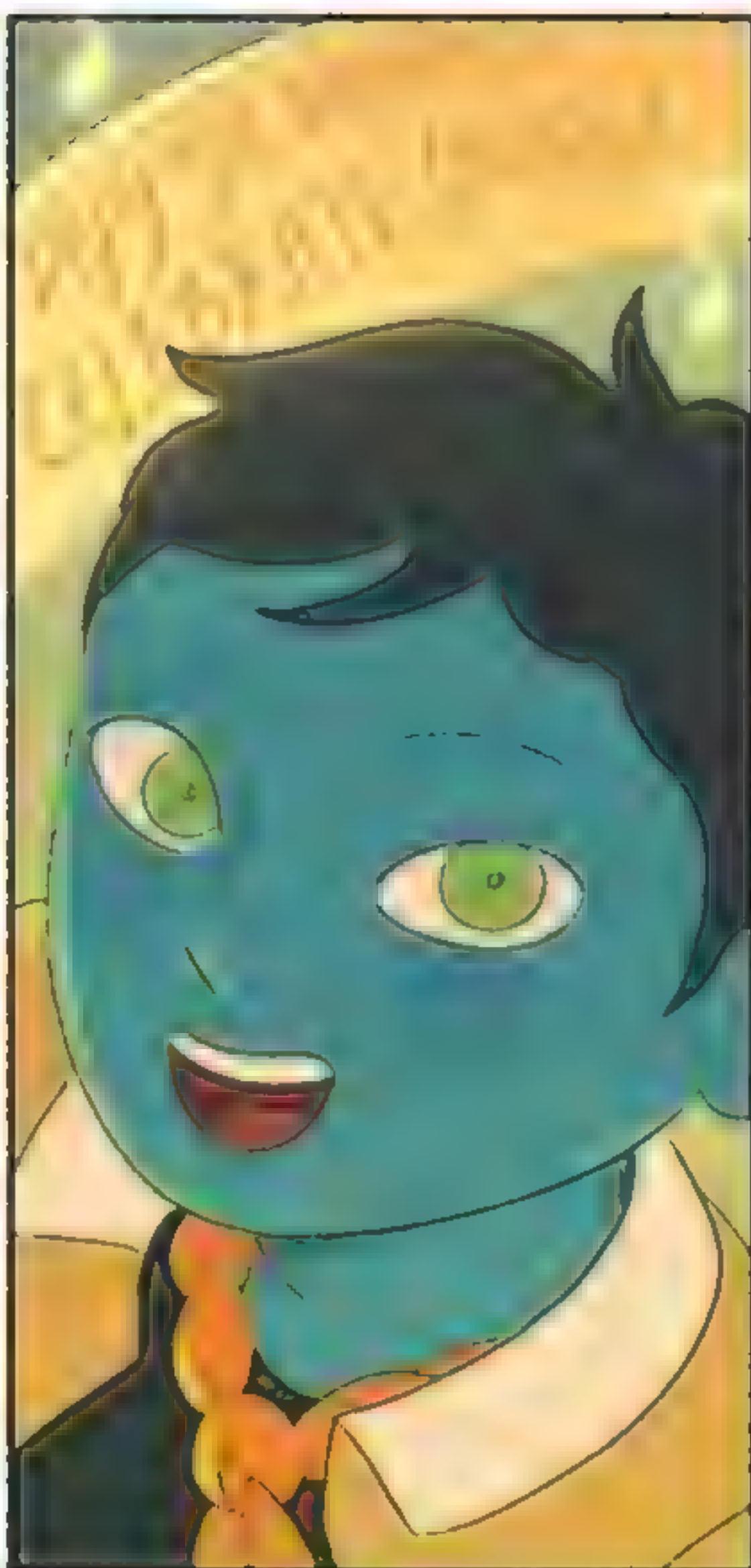




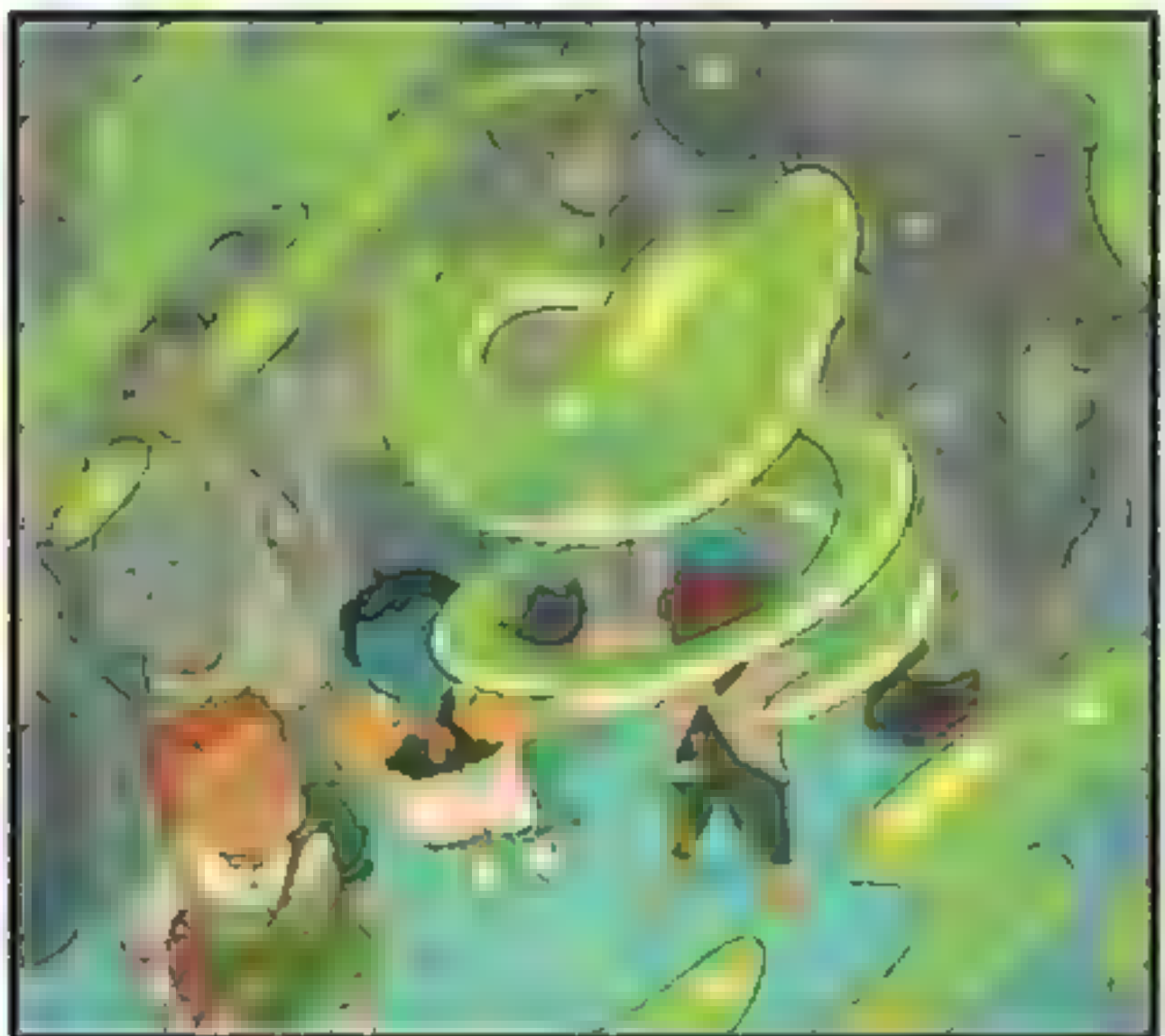




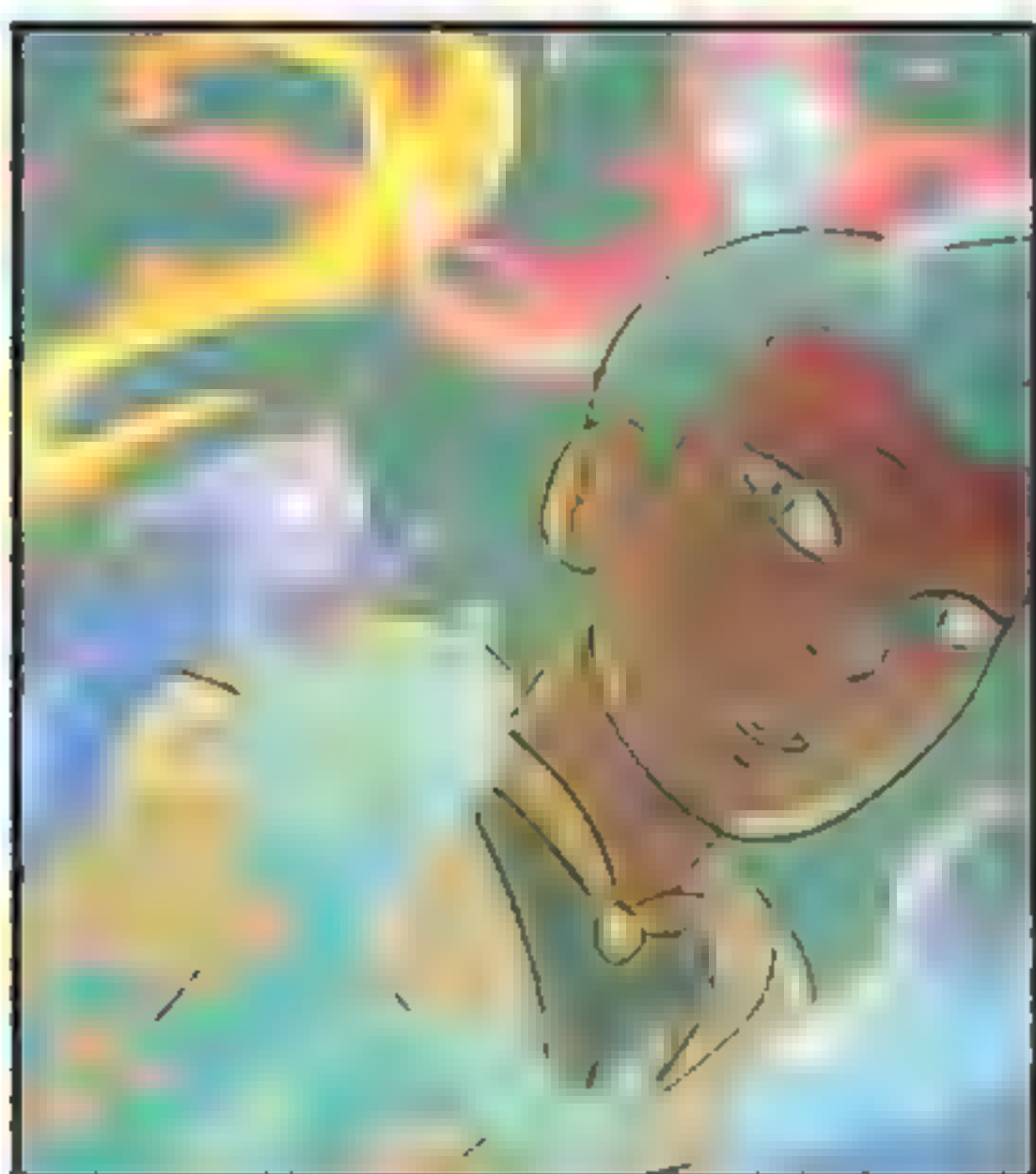
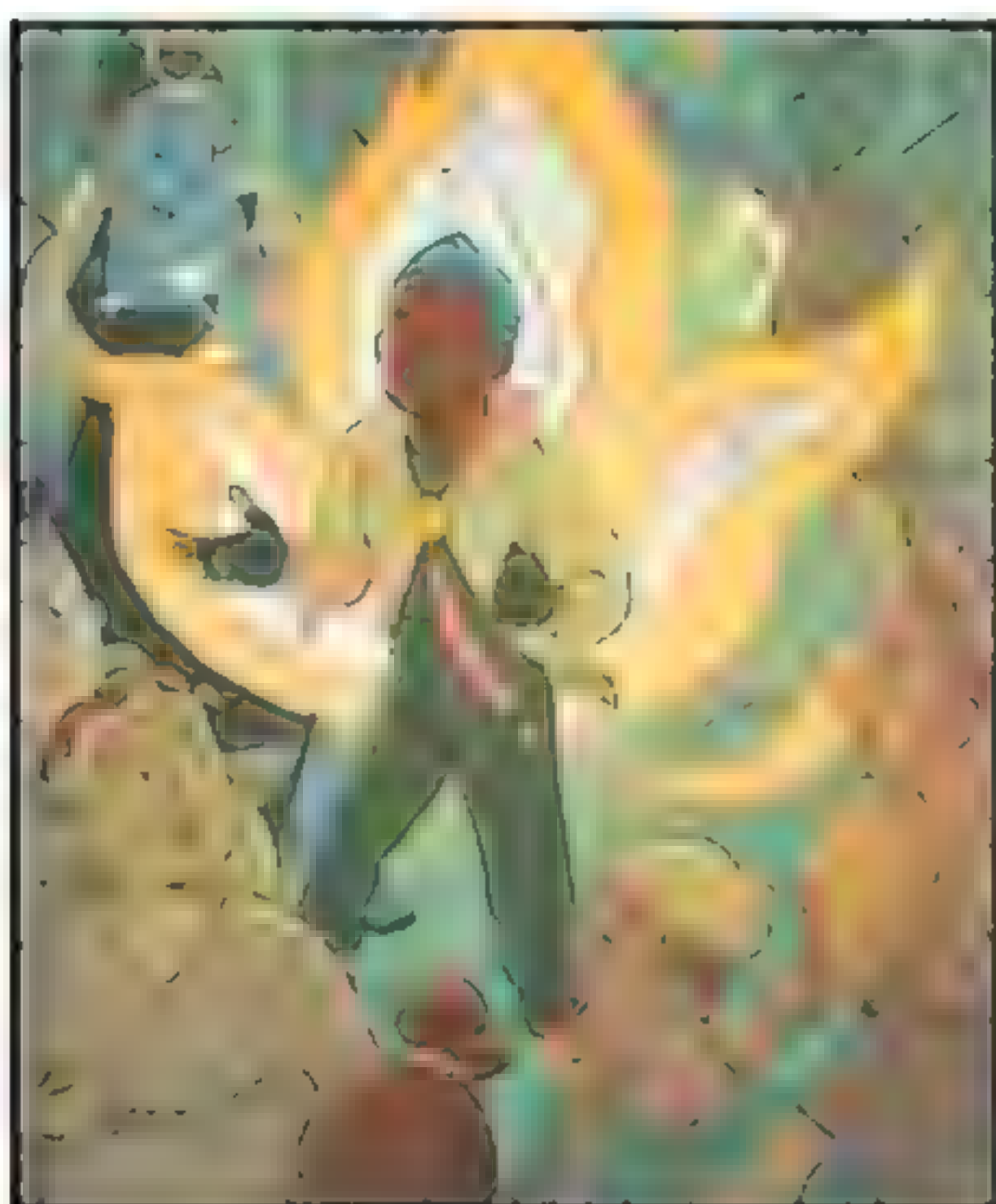
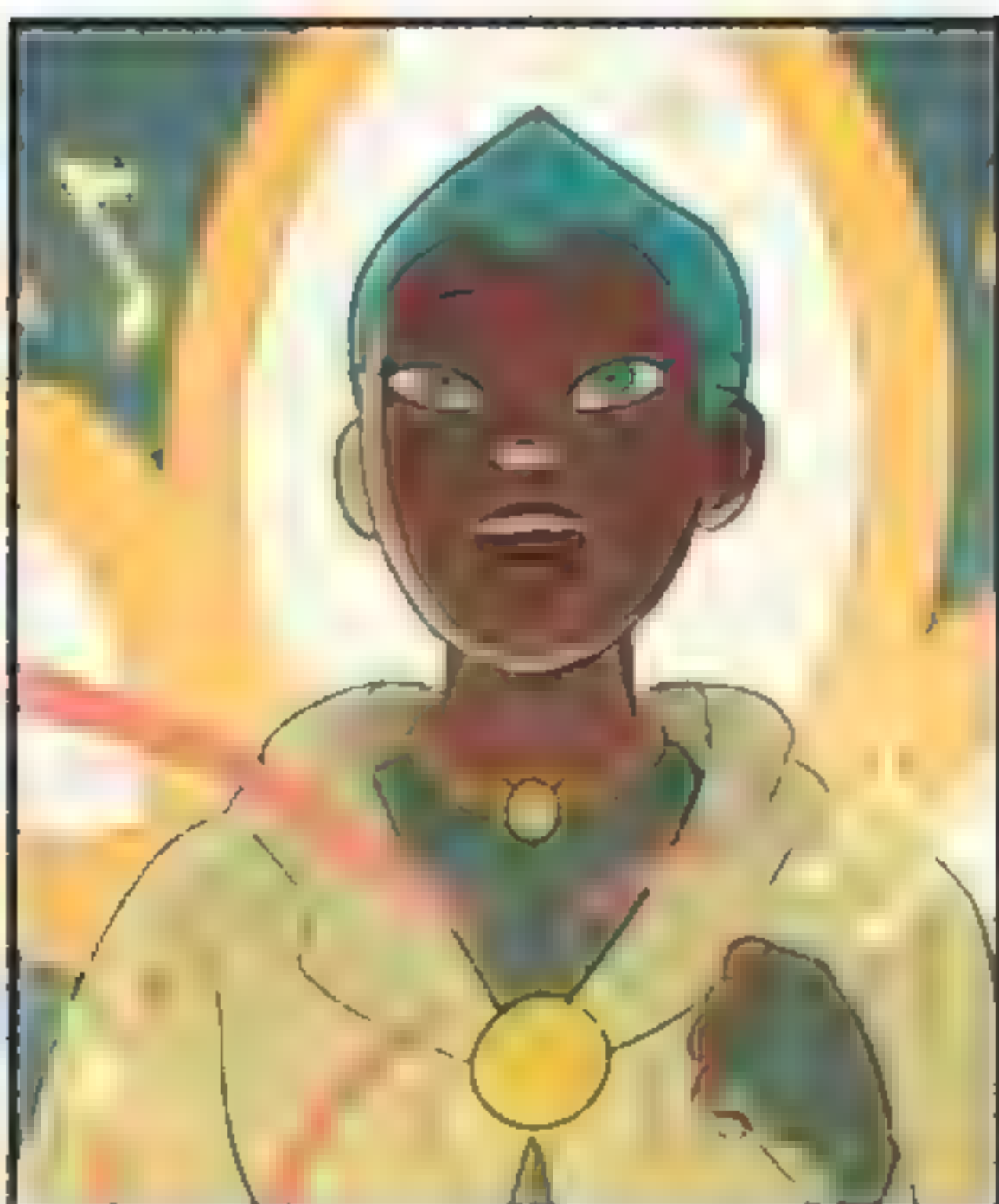
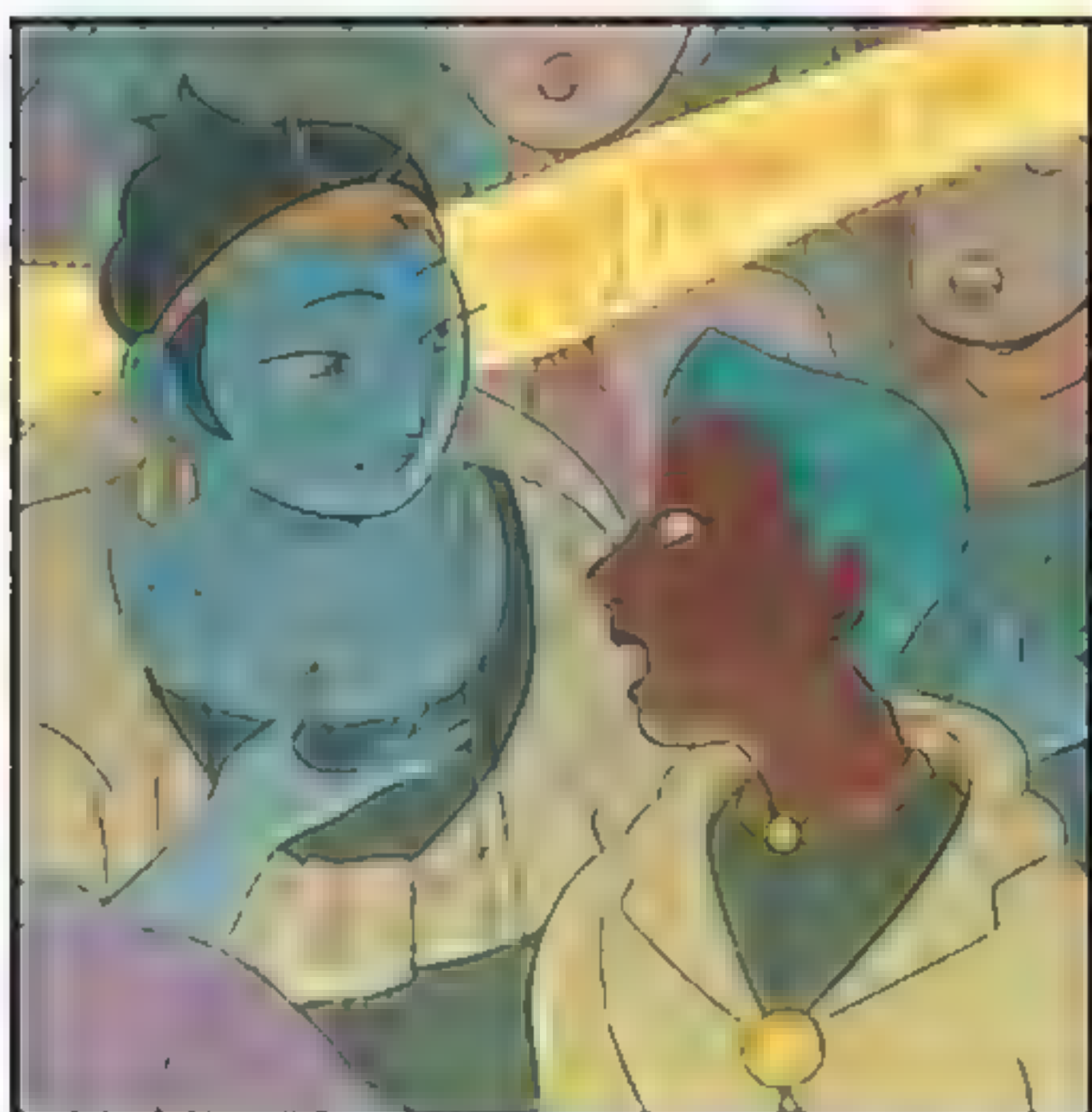




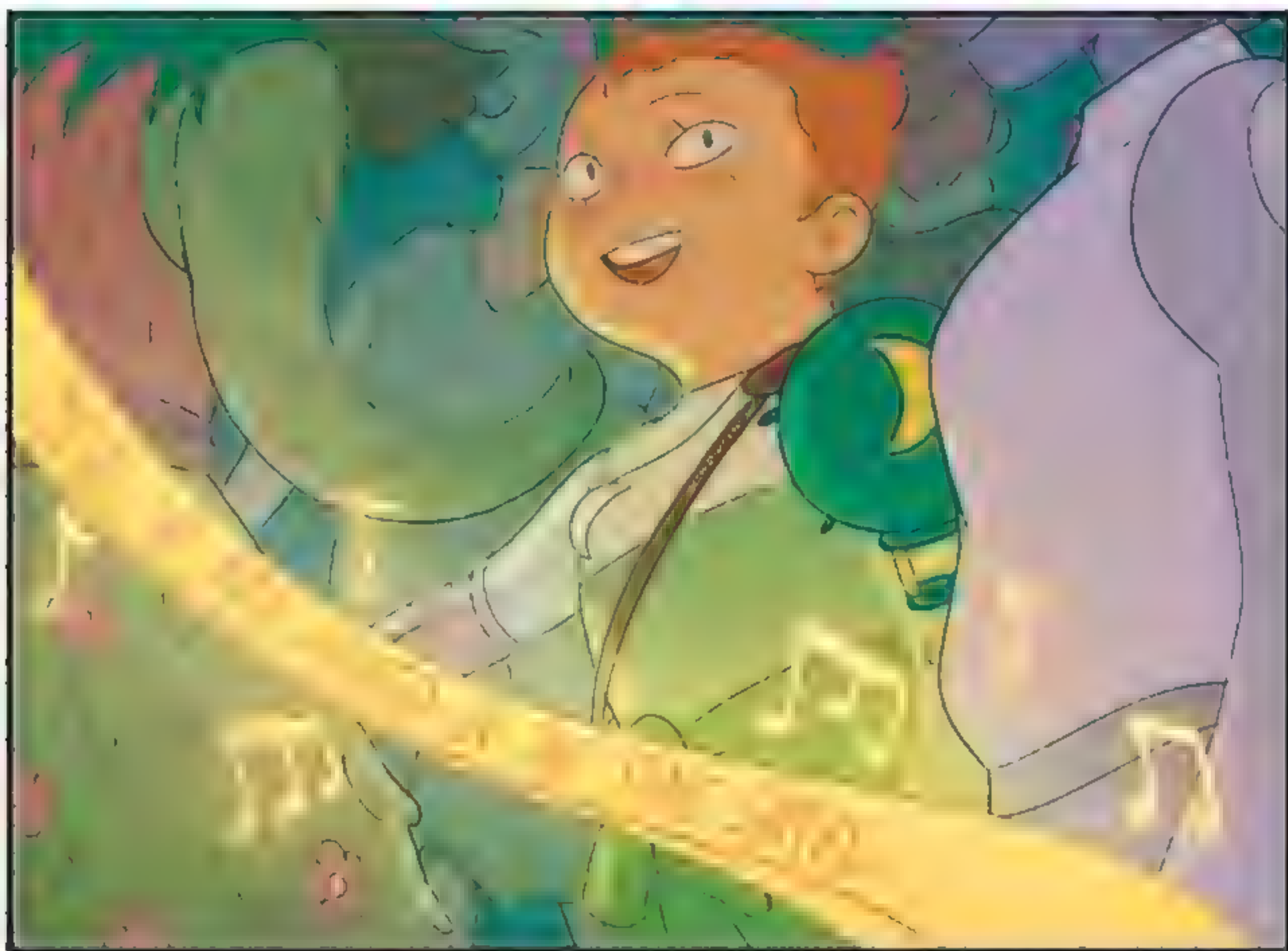
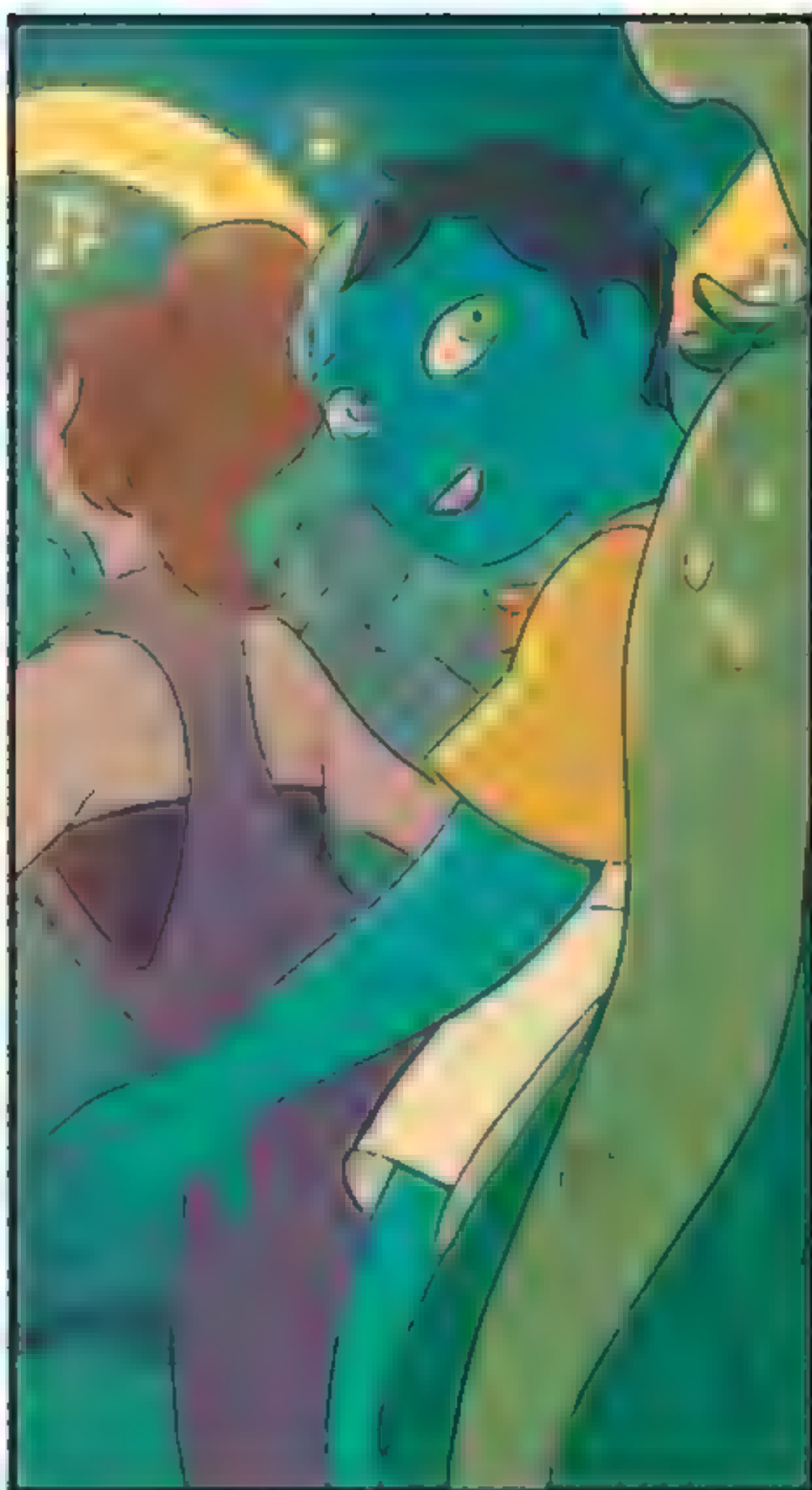


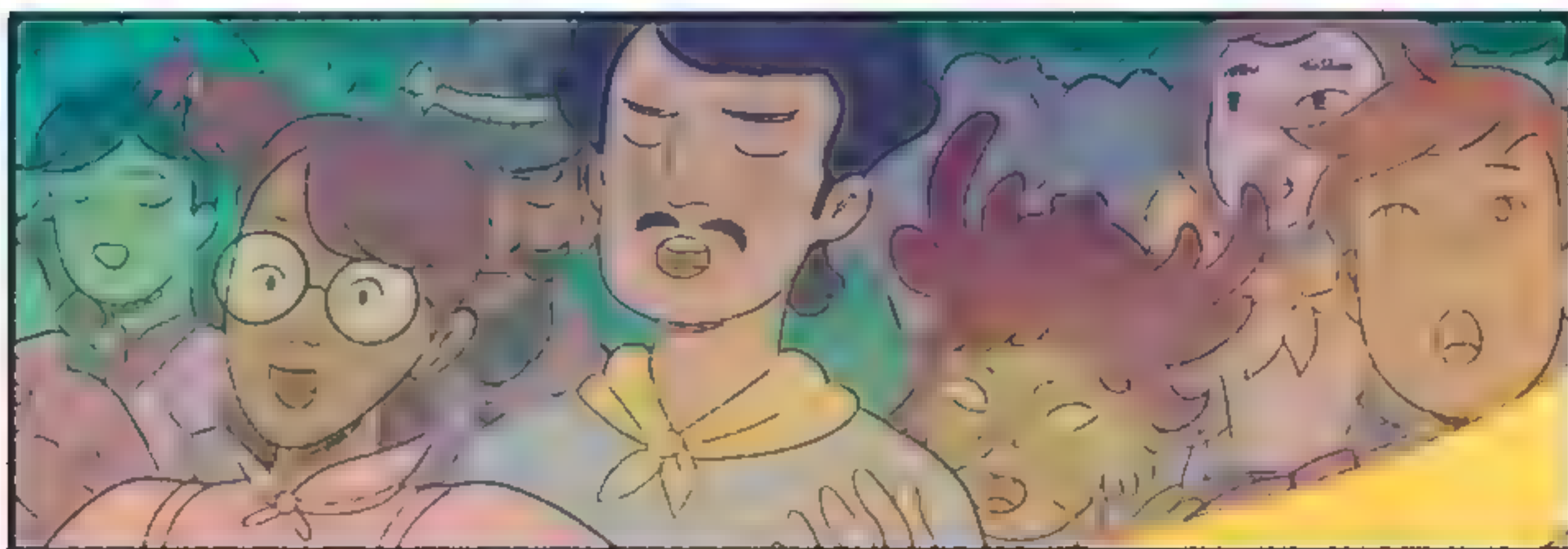


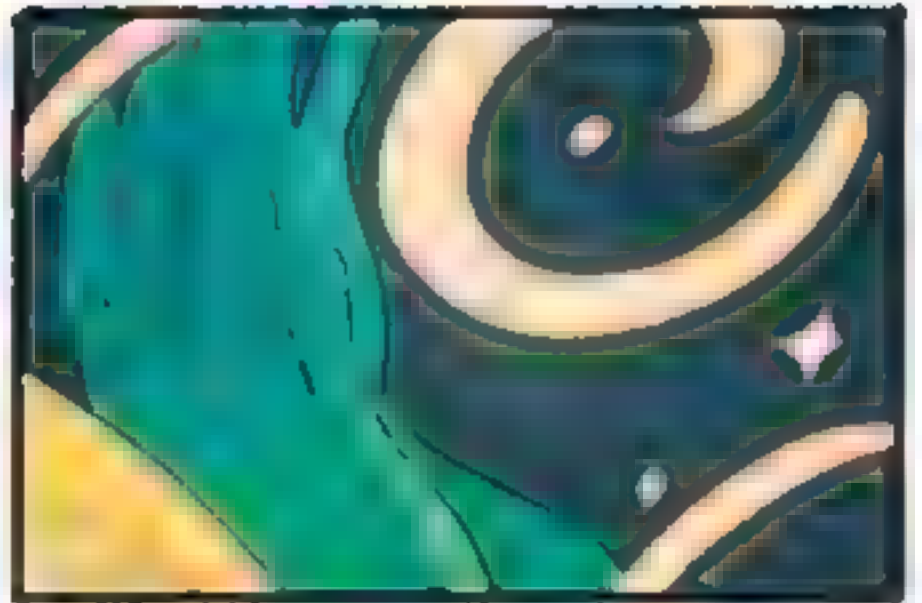










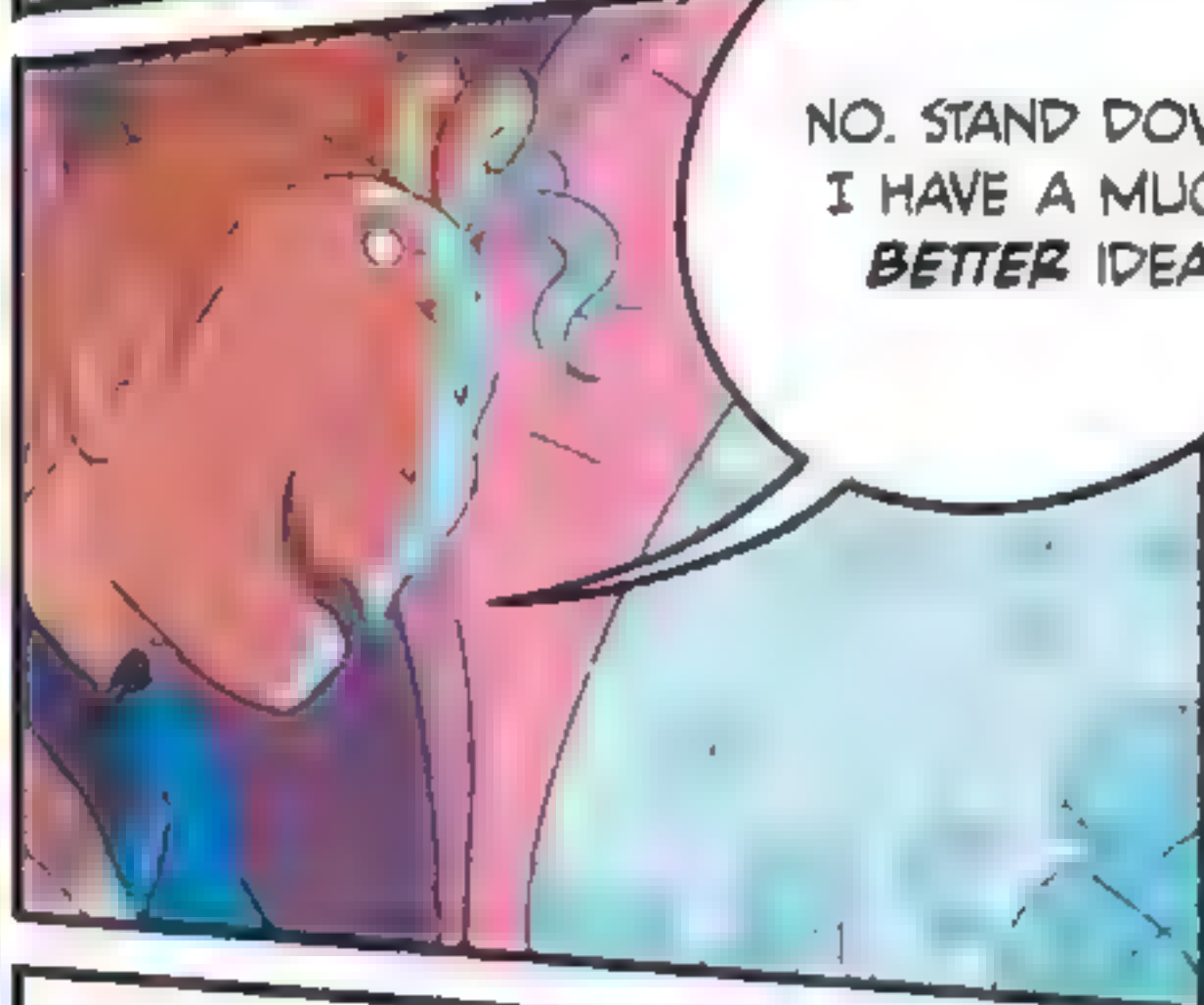




MR. MOON,
I CAN TAKE HER
OUT RIGHT
NOW.

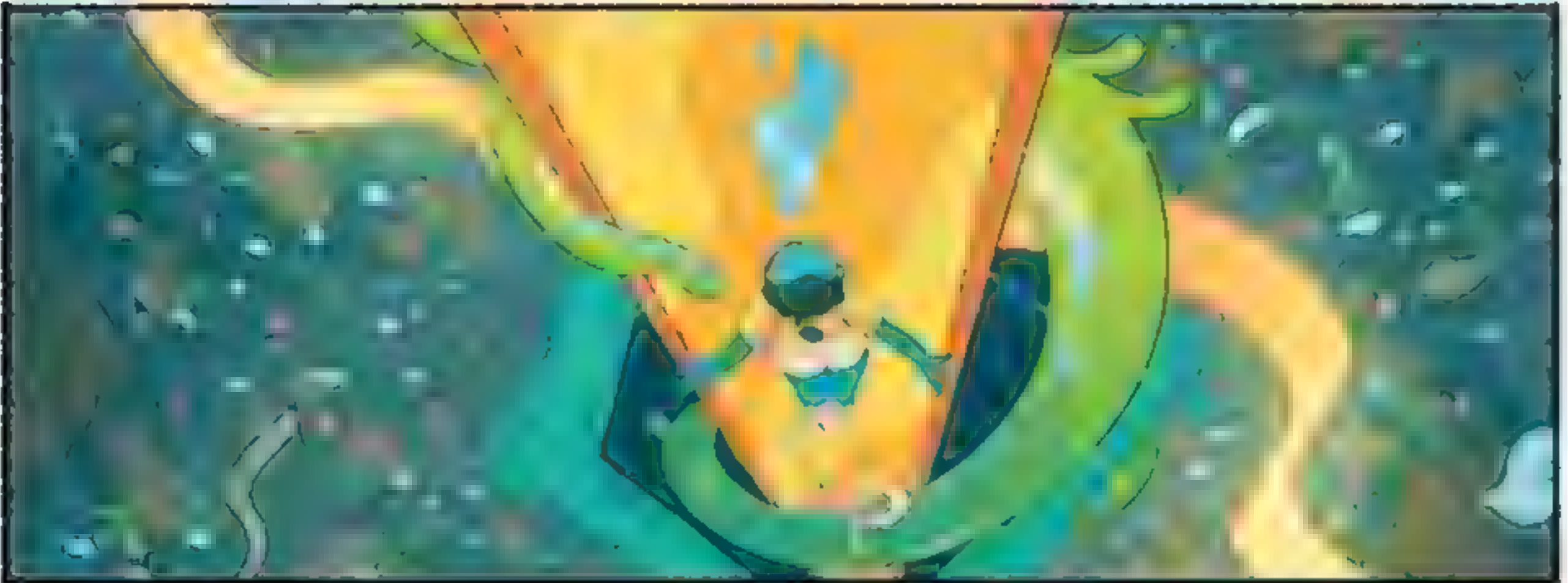
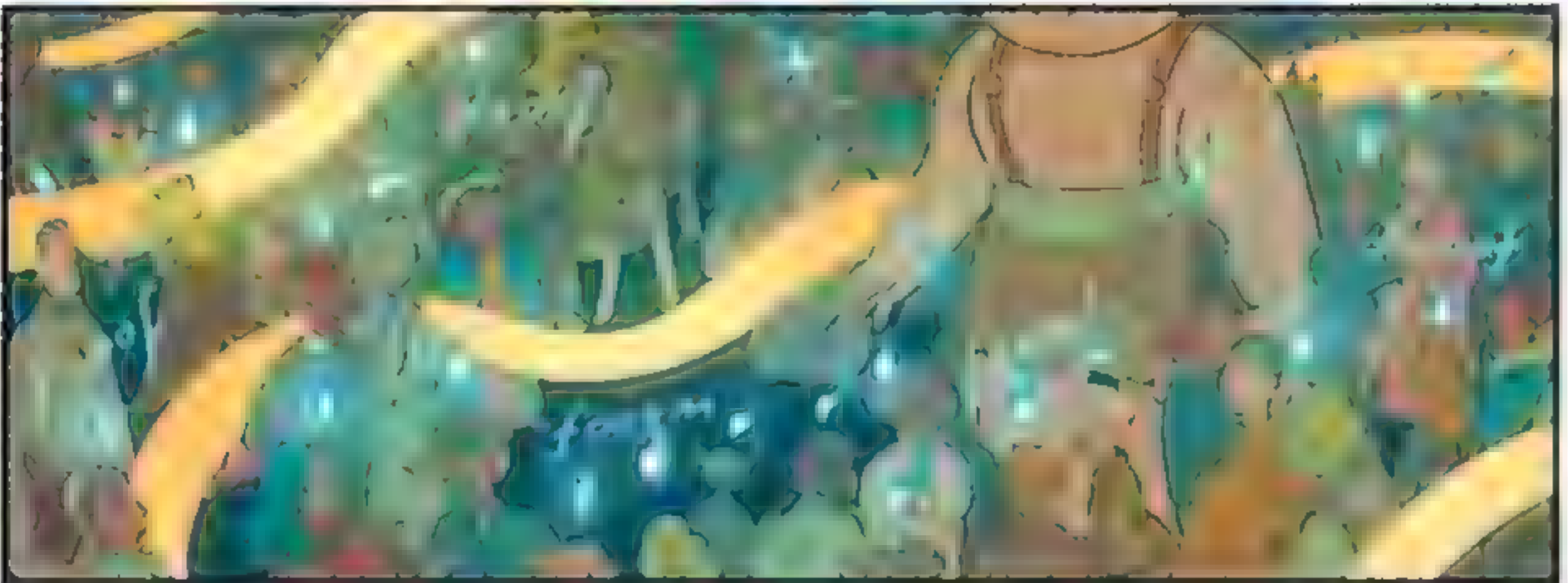
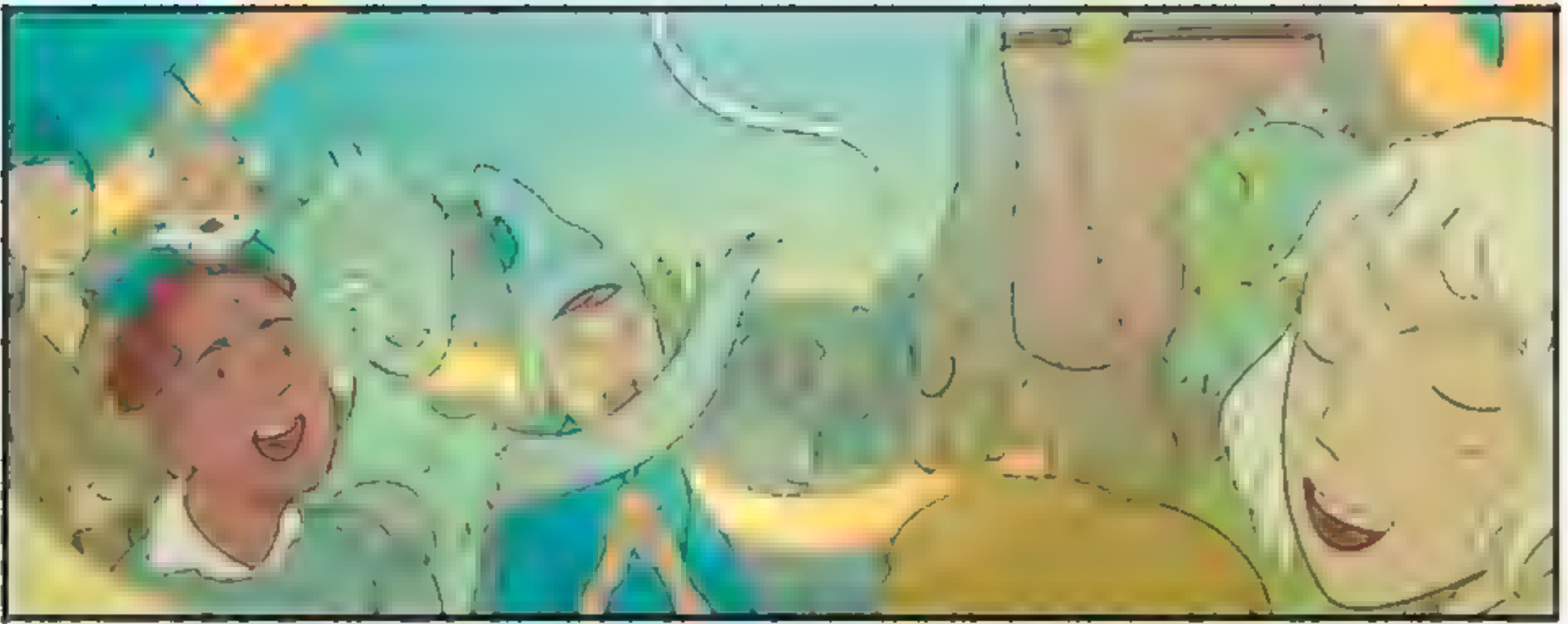


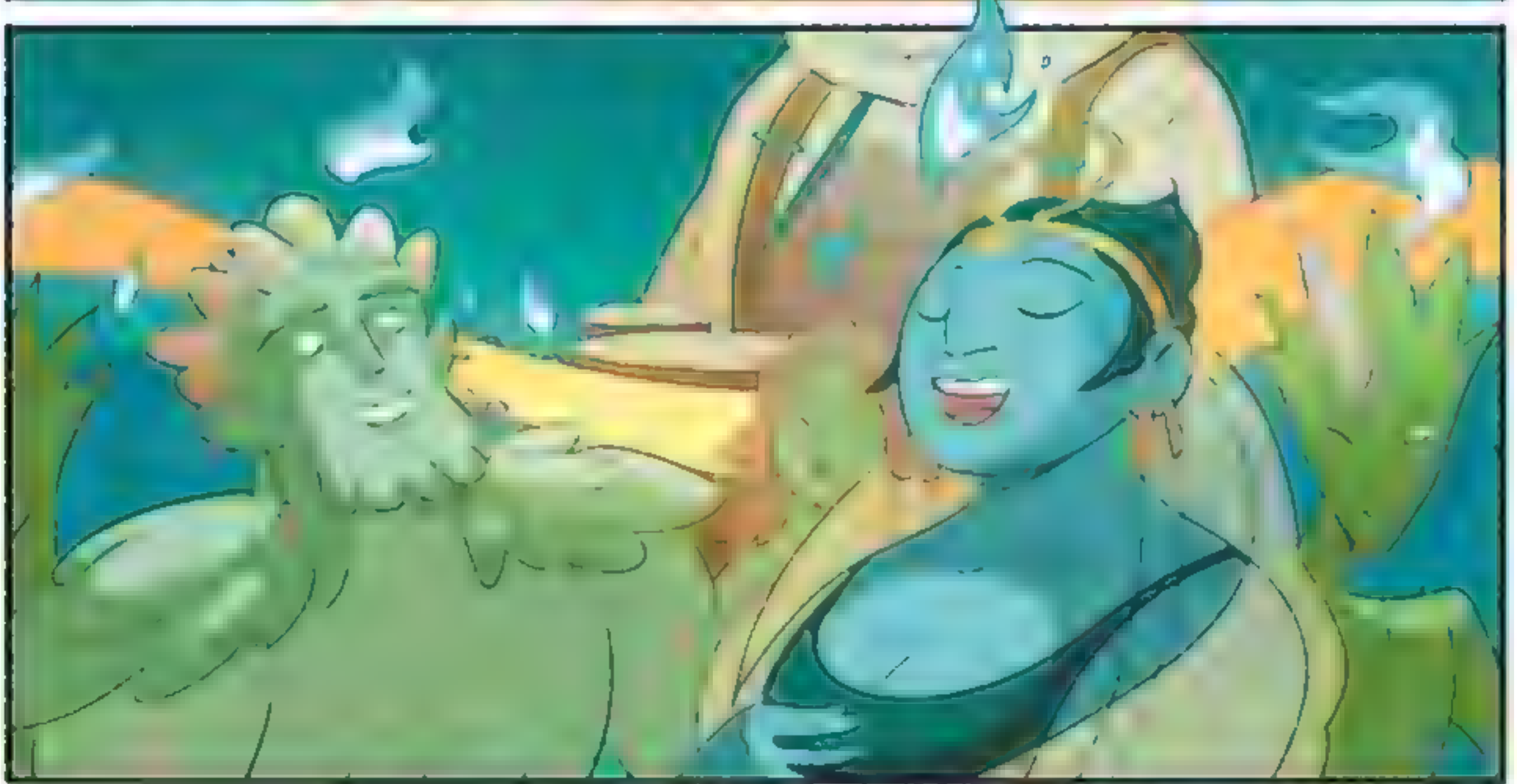
NO. STAND DOWN.
I HAVE A MUCH
BETTER IDEA



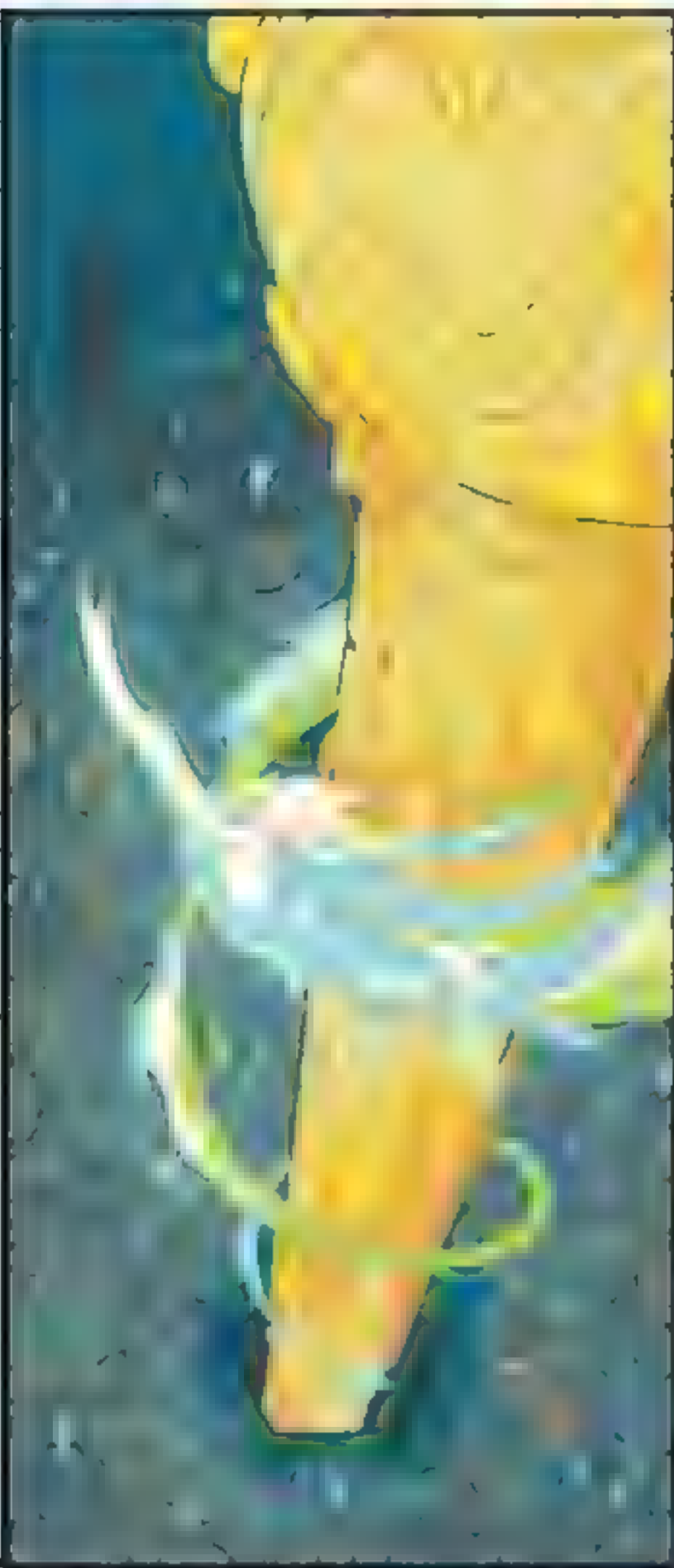
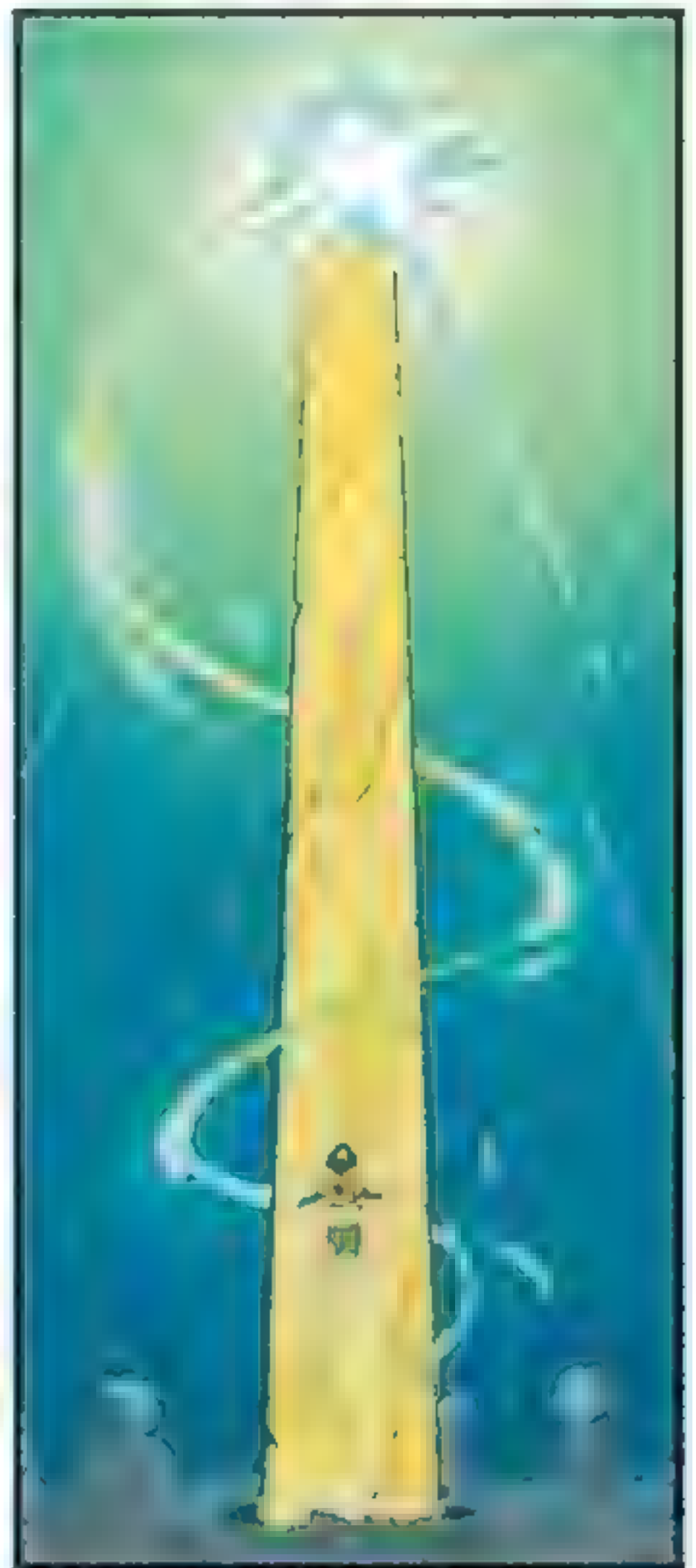
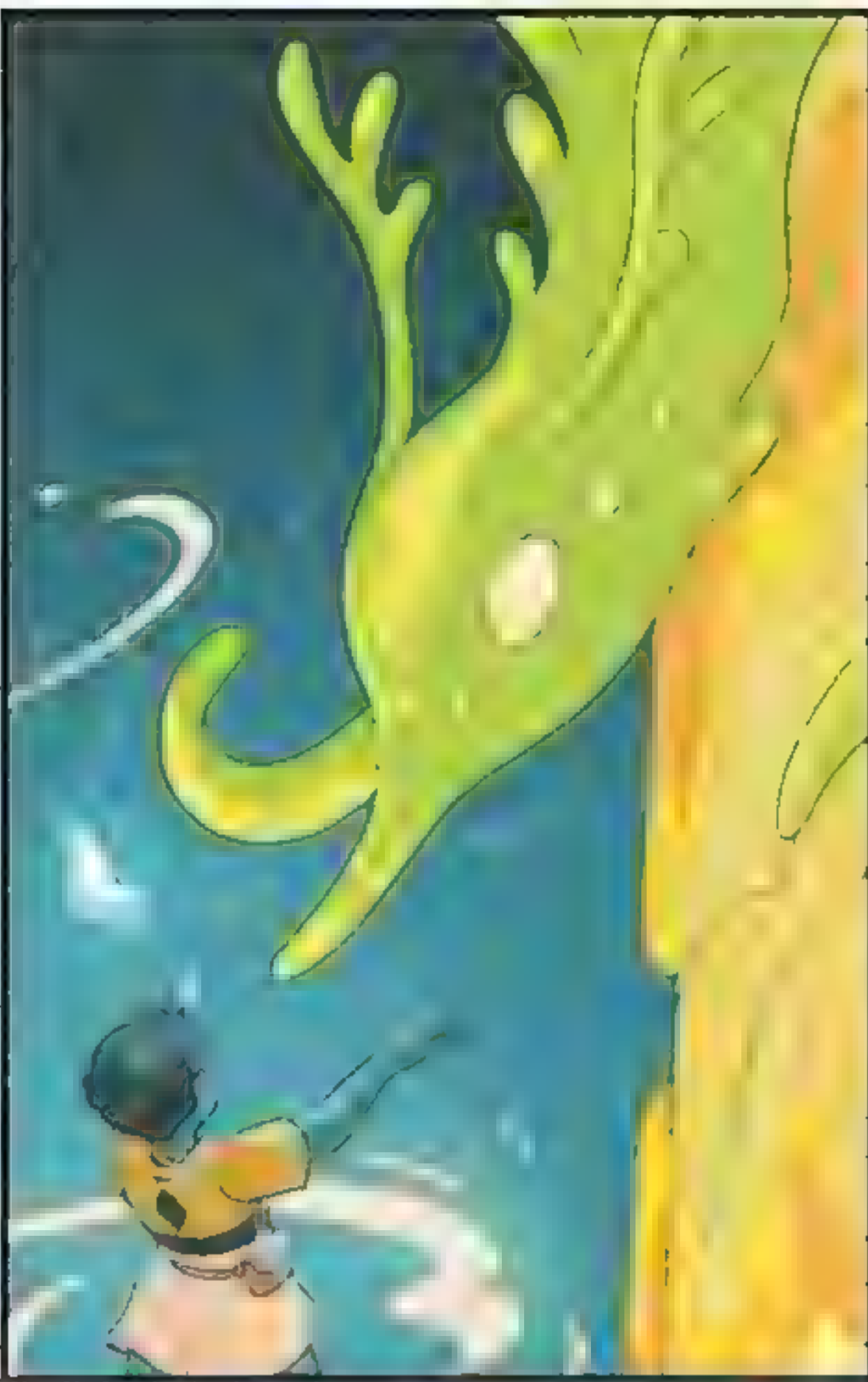
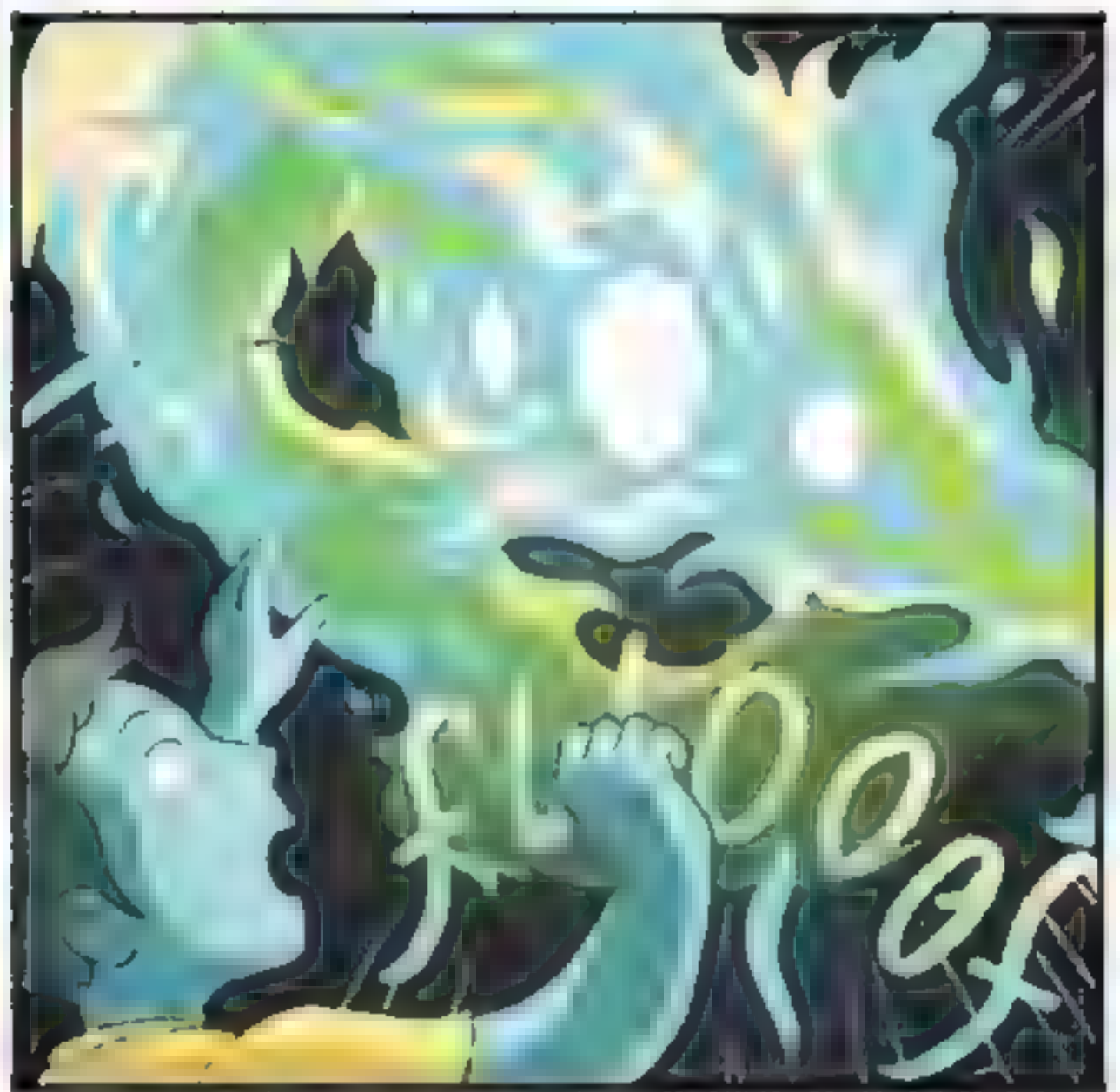
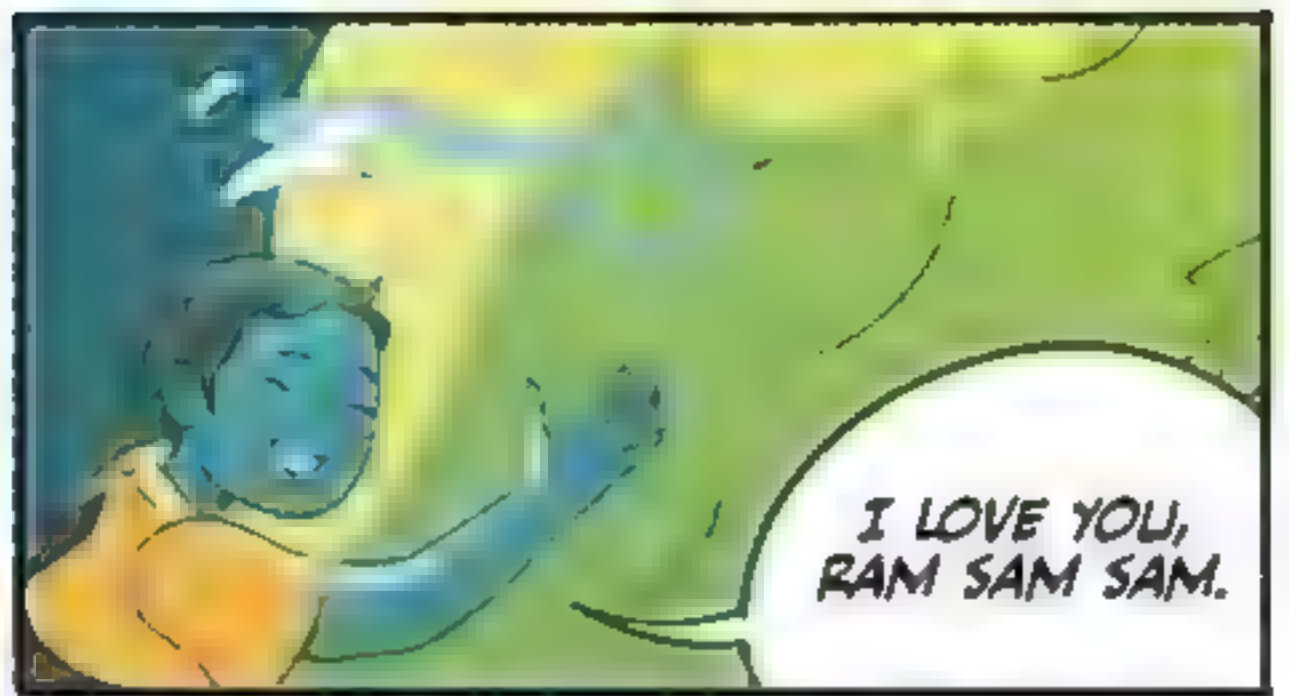
THOSE PORTALS...
AN ACTUAL *GIFT FROM*
THE GODS! THEY'LL BRING ME
MORE THAN I *EVER* HOPED FOR...
THOSE CENTURIES OF LONELINESS
WILL FINALLY PAY OFF...

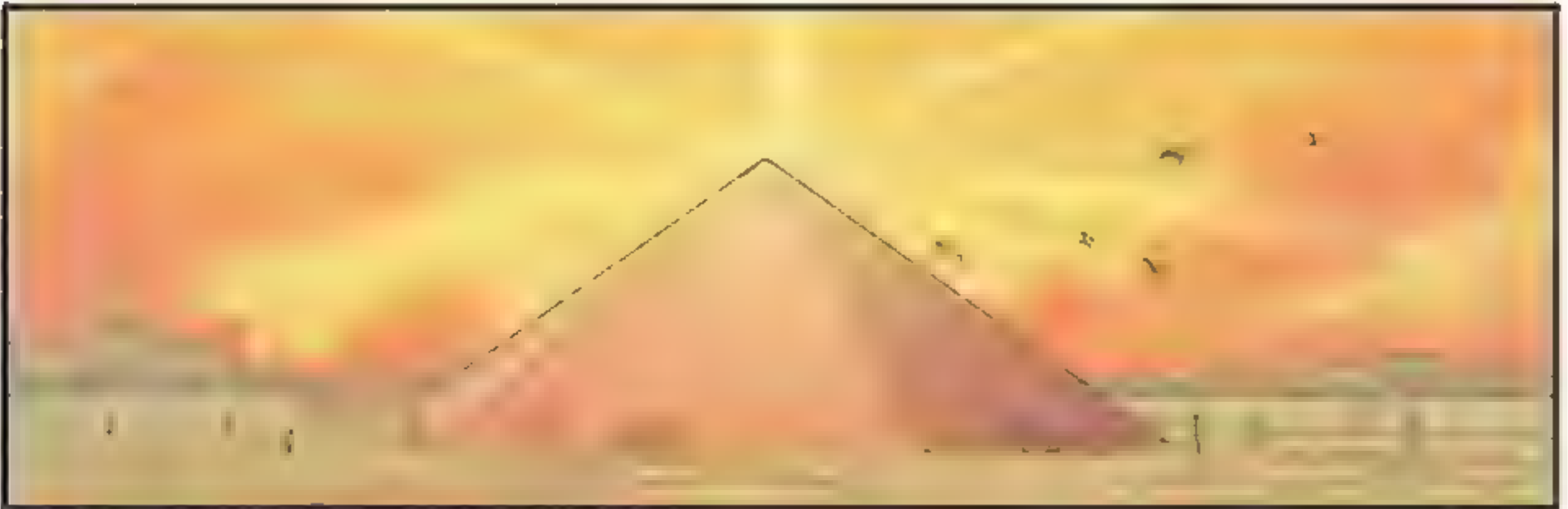
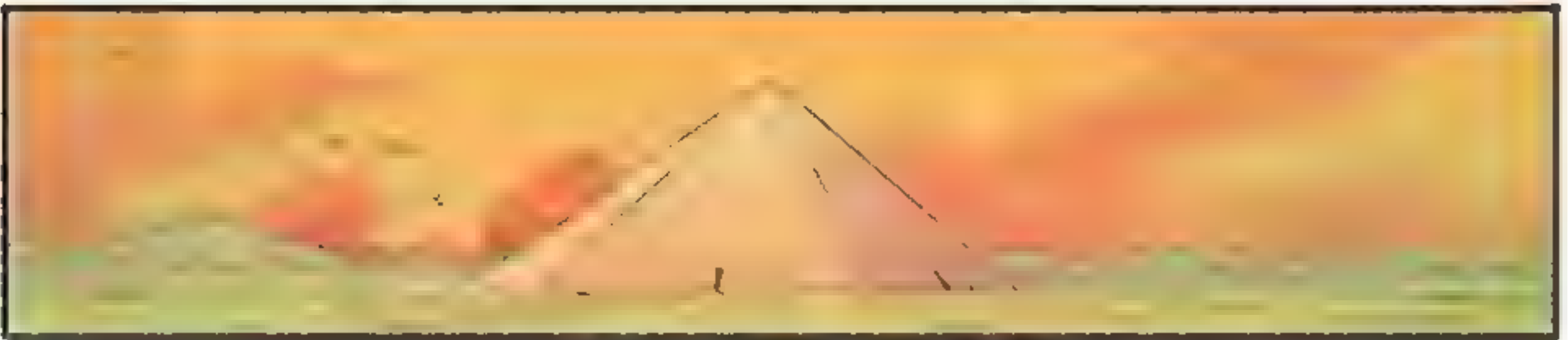




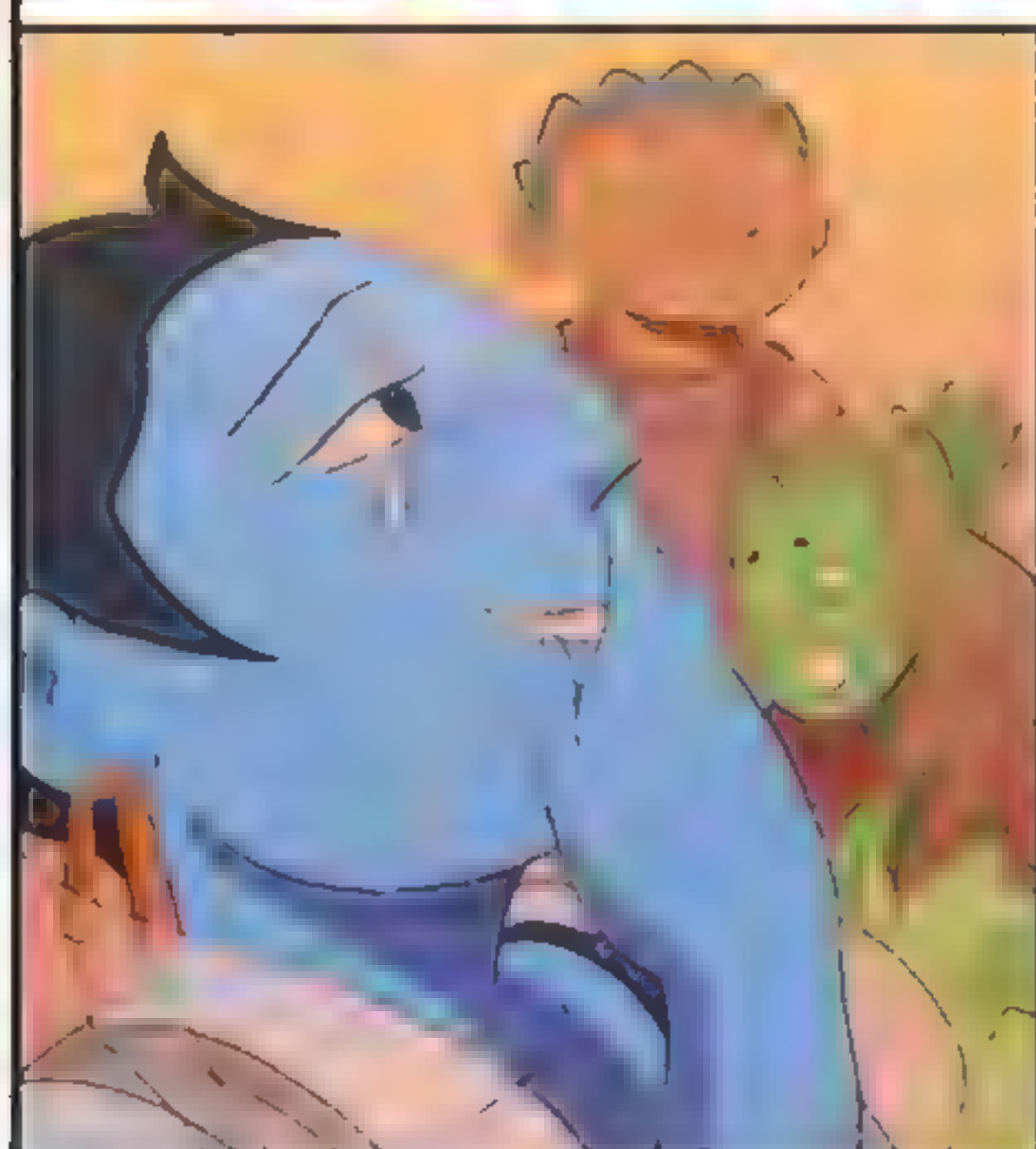


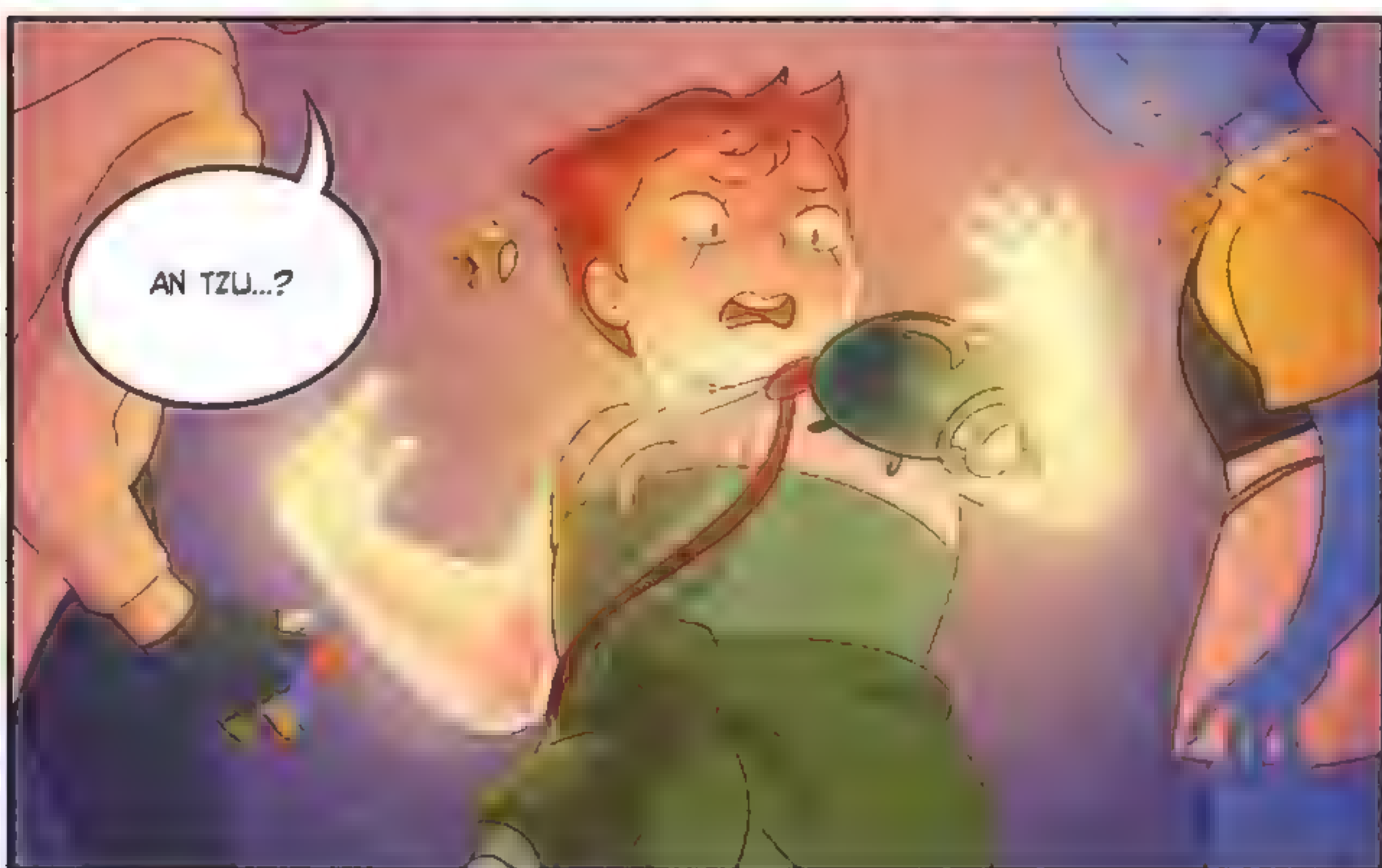
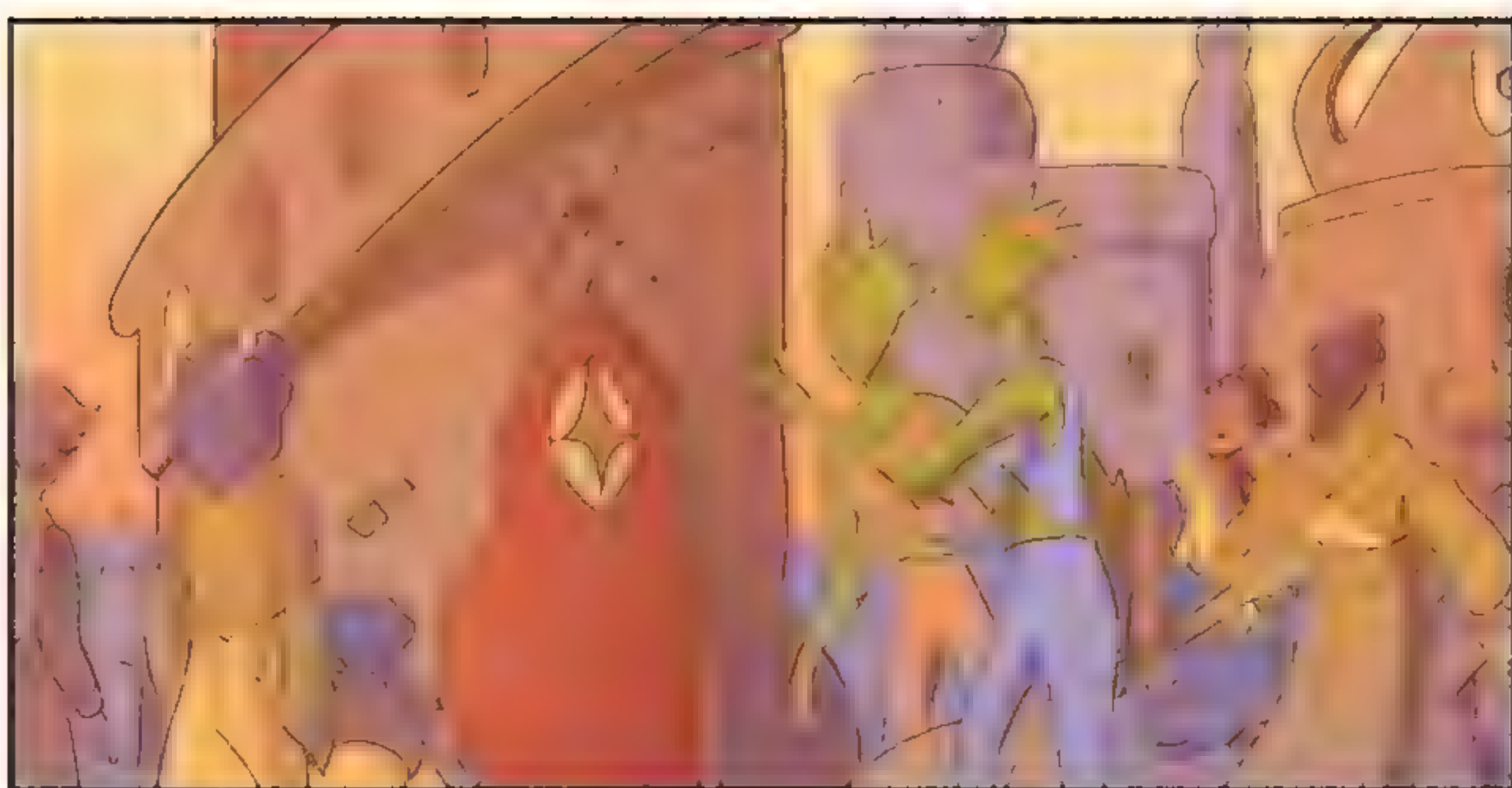










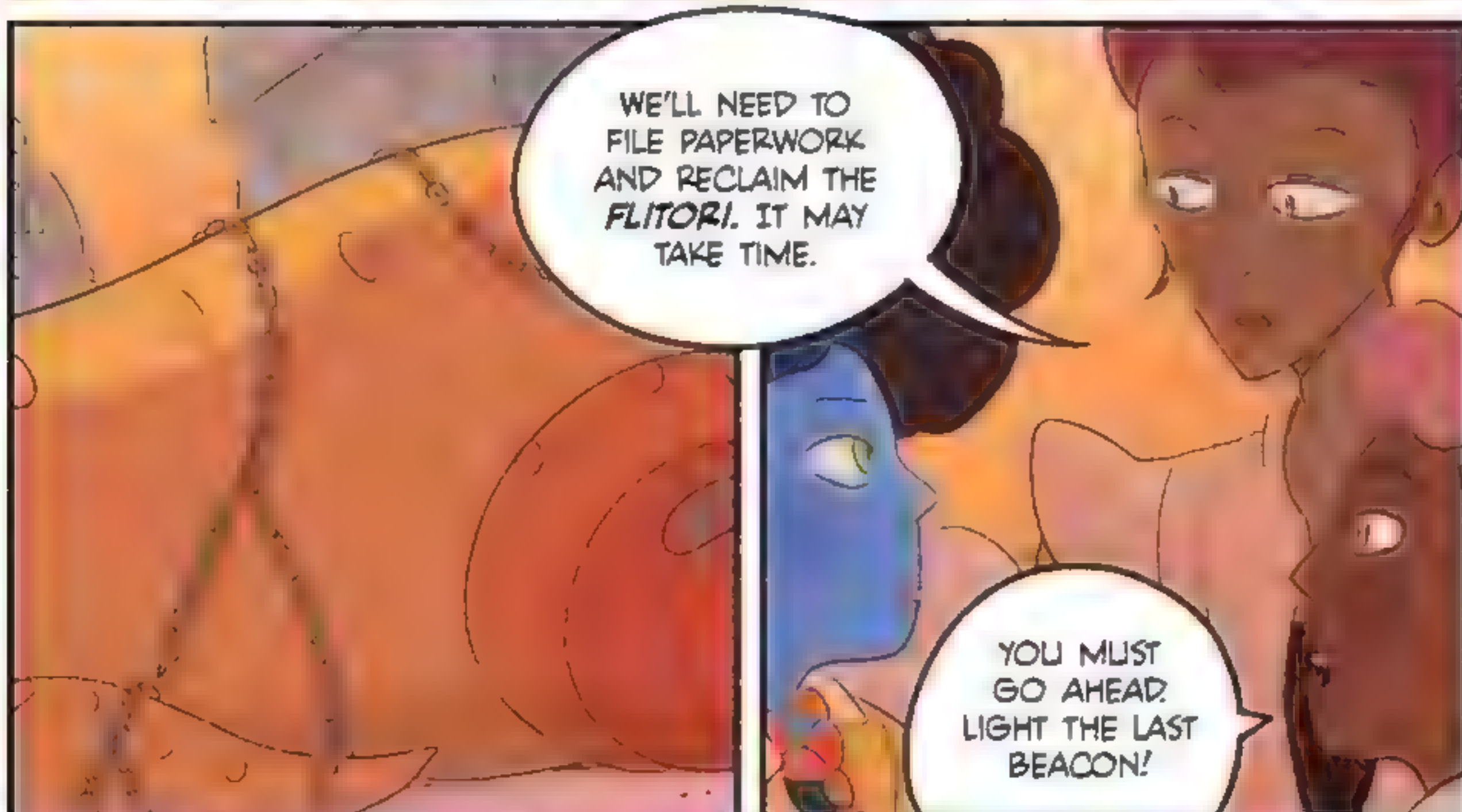




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WE'LL NEED TO
FILE PAPERWORK
AND RECLAIM THE
FLITORI. IT MAY
TAKE TIME.

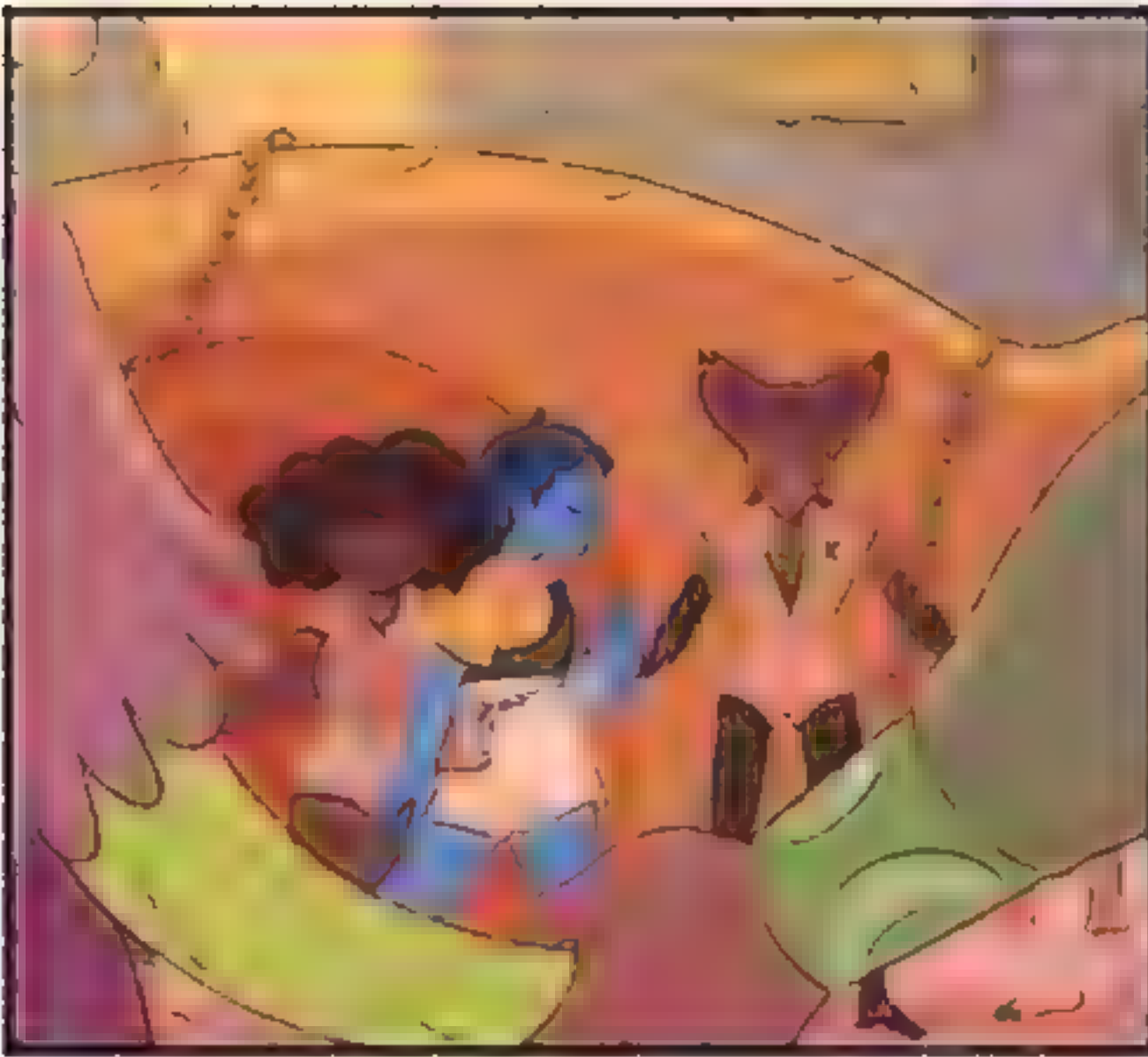
YOU MUST
GO AHEAD!
LIGHT THE LAST
BEACON!

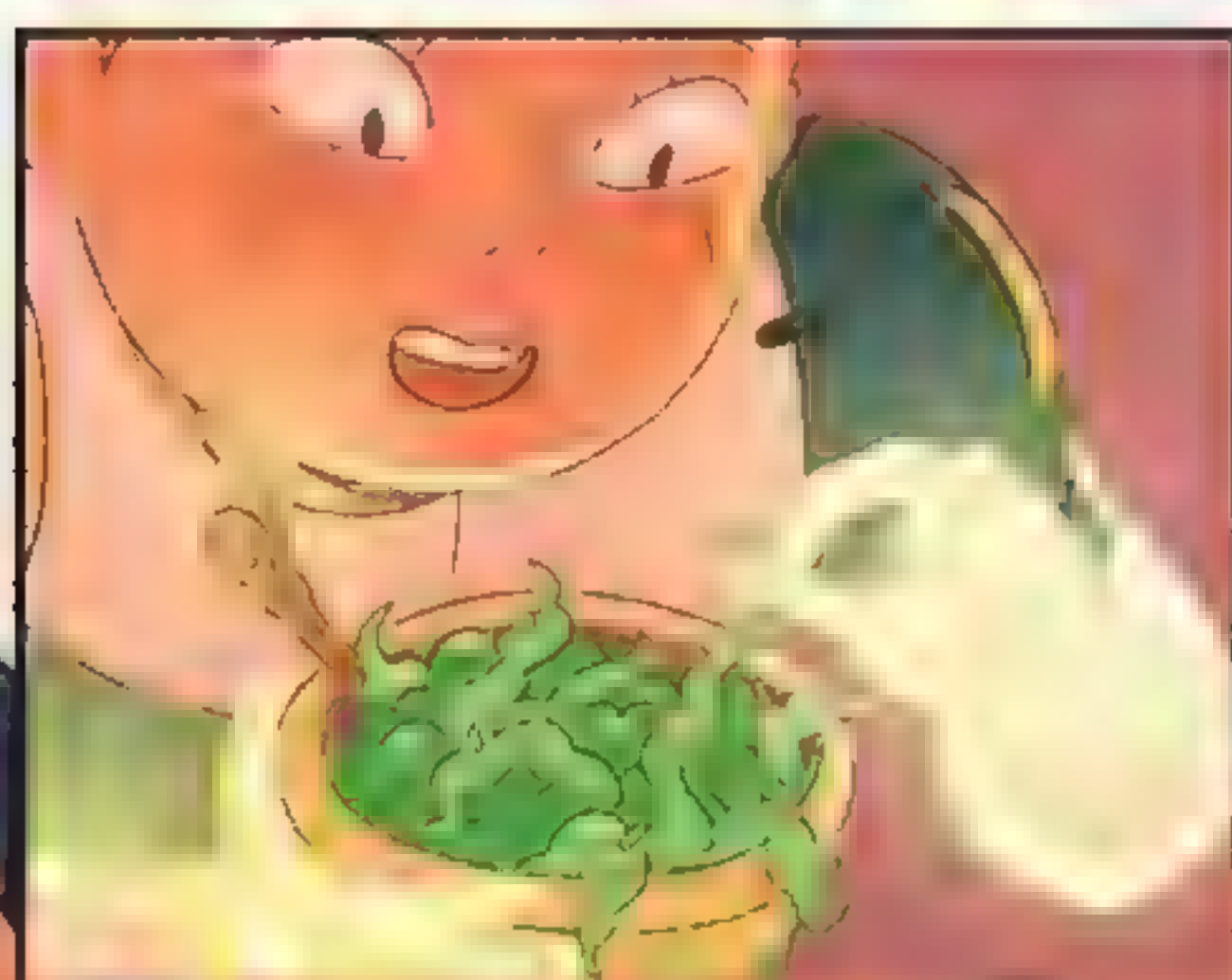
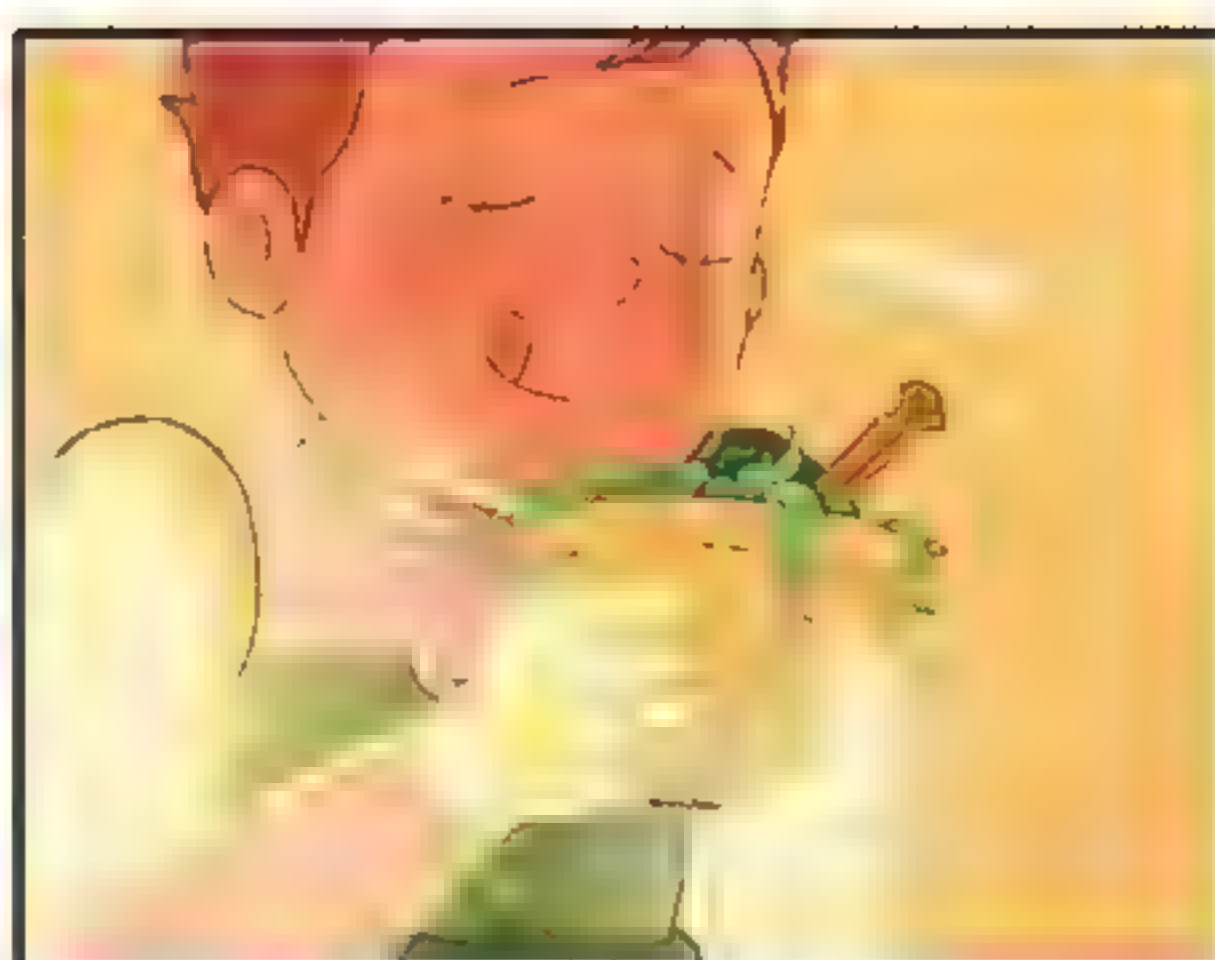
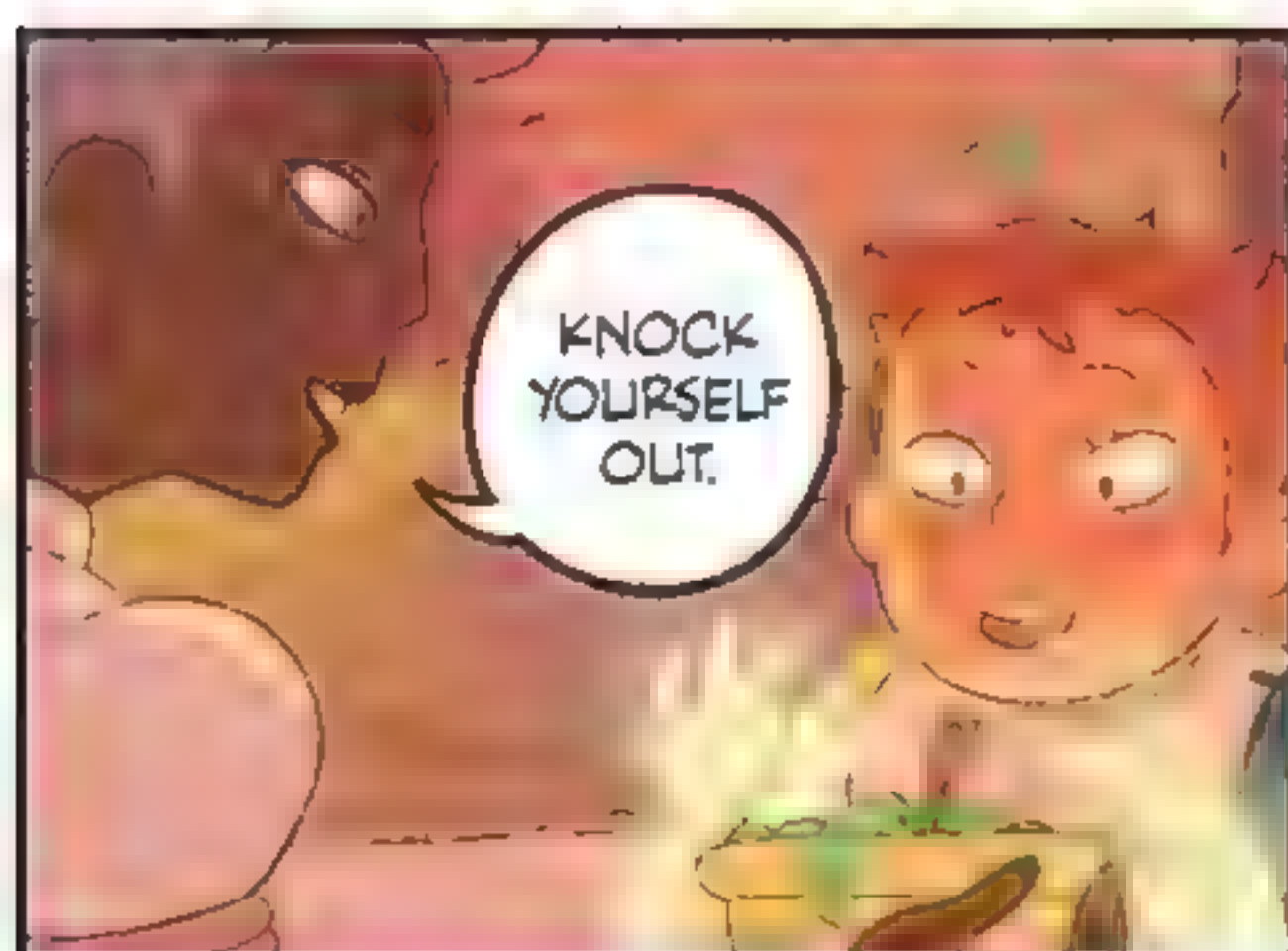


OONA, YOU
NEED TO MAKE
A PORTAL...TO
GRIMBO-E!

THAT'S
POSSIBLE,
RIGHT?

A PORTAL
TO ANOTHER
WORLD...I'LL
NEED ALL OF
YOU.







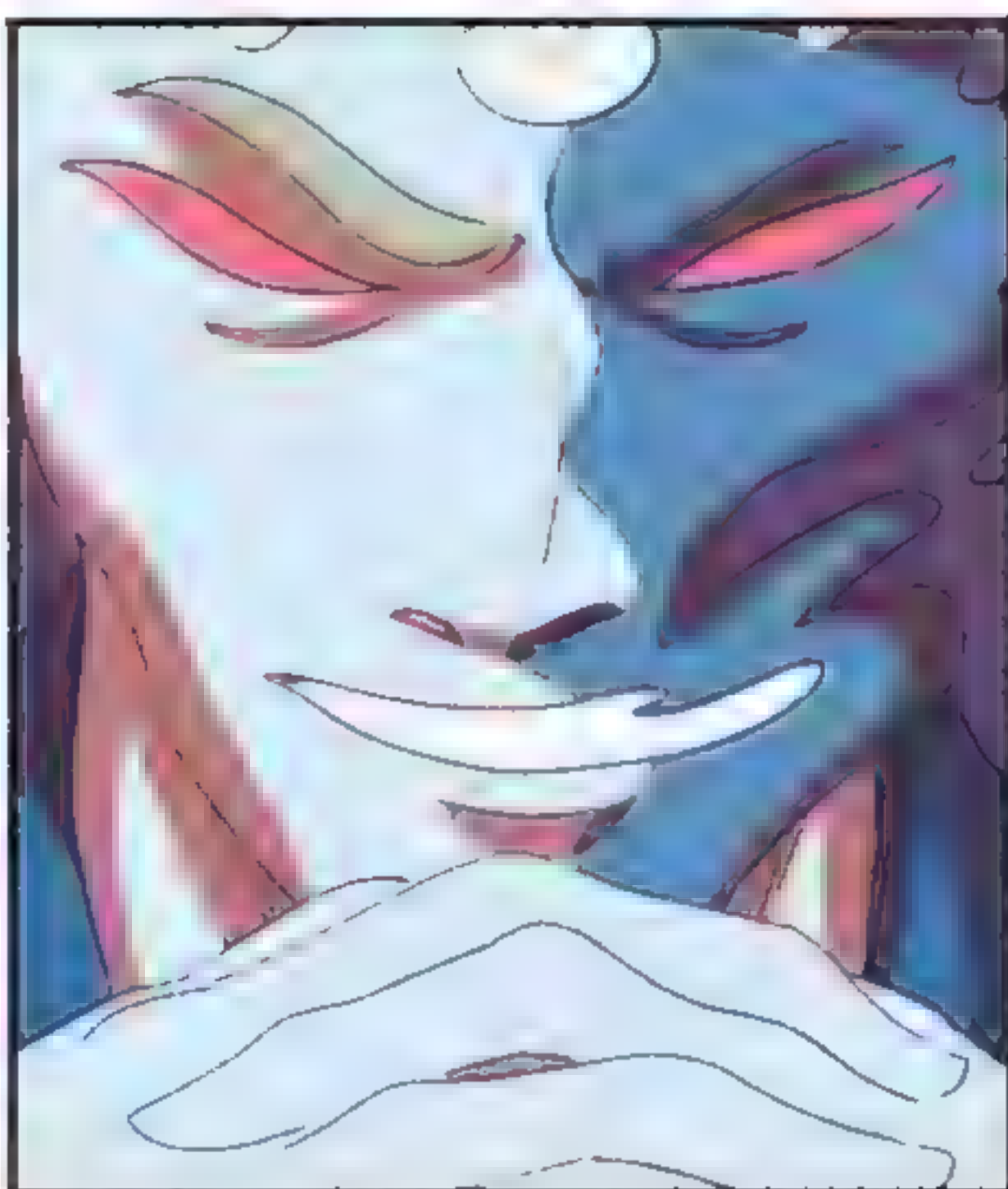
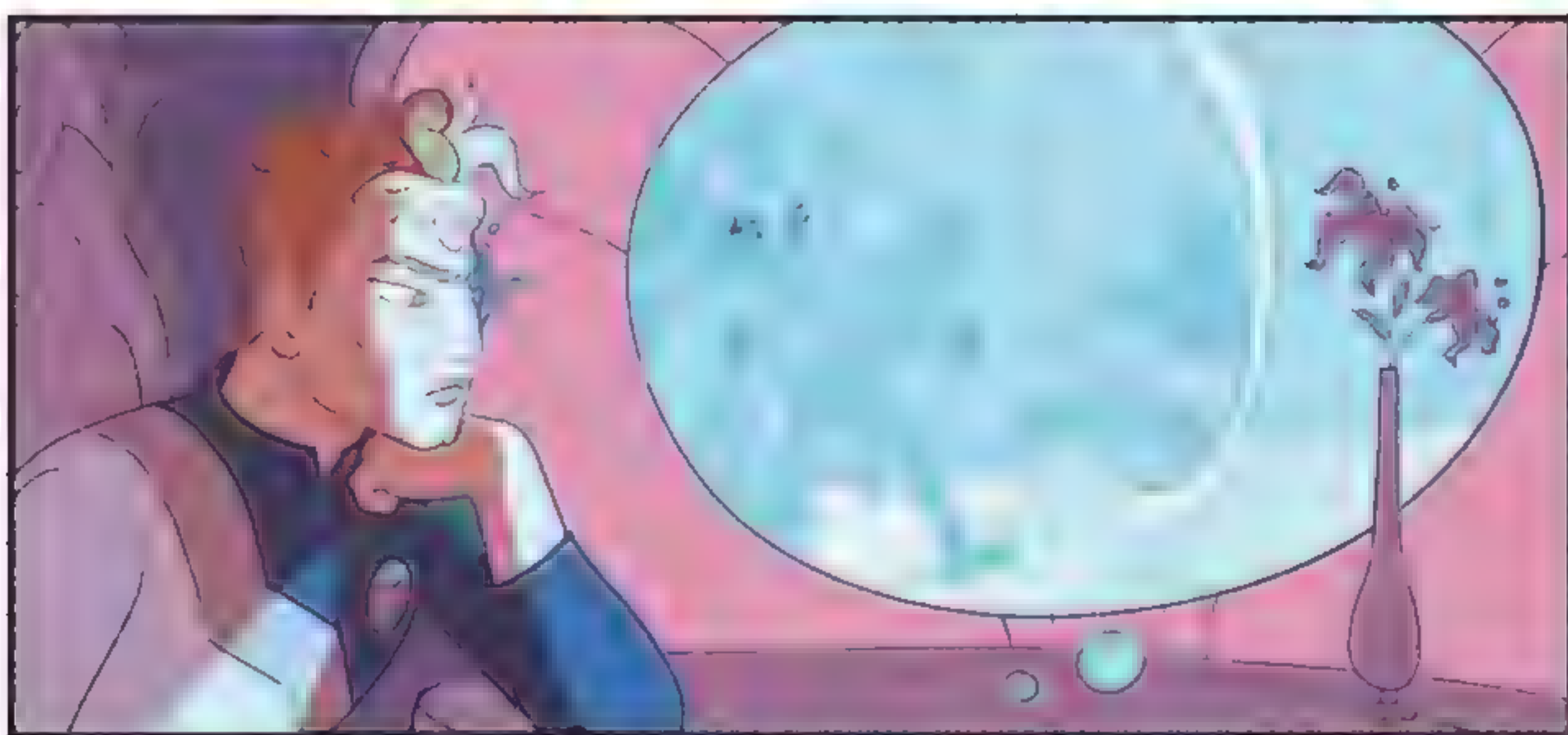




AN TZU?



UH...NOT HUNGRY ANYMORE.



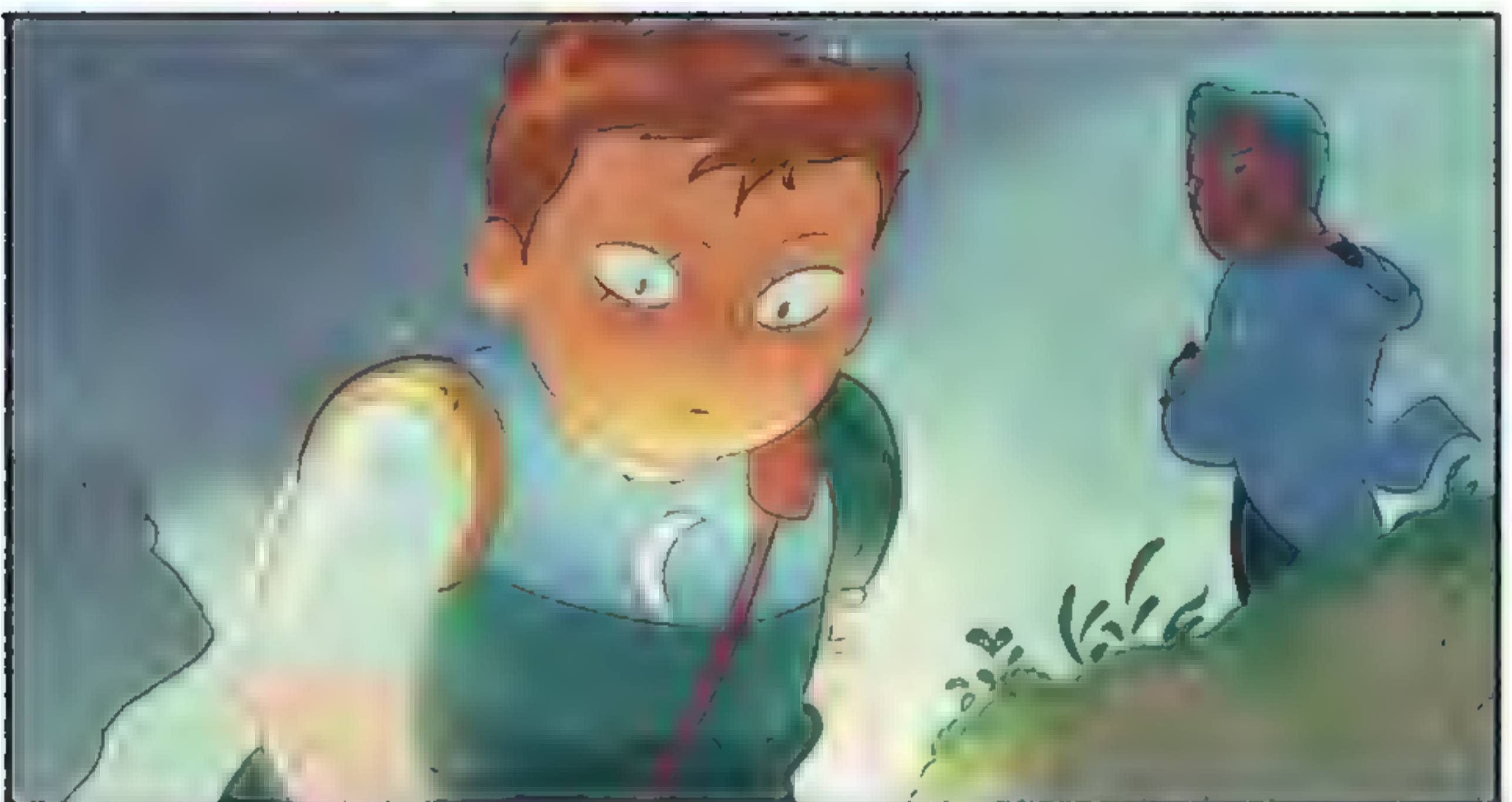


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To my 5W teammates, one thousand pages on –MS

To Shudan –AS

To my beloved felids, Beepboop and Yeti –XB

To those who fight for what they believe in –MR

To Mom –BS



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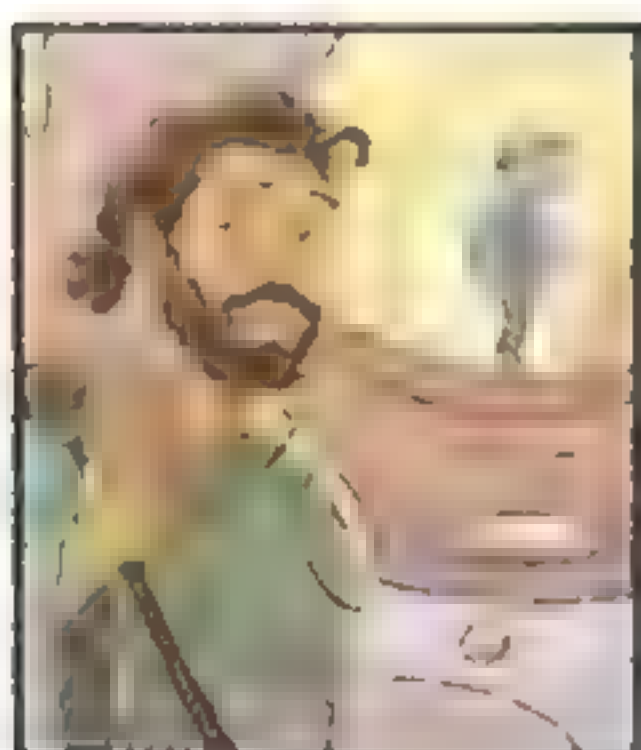
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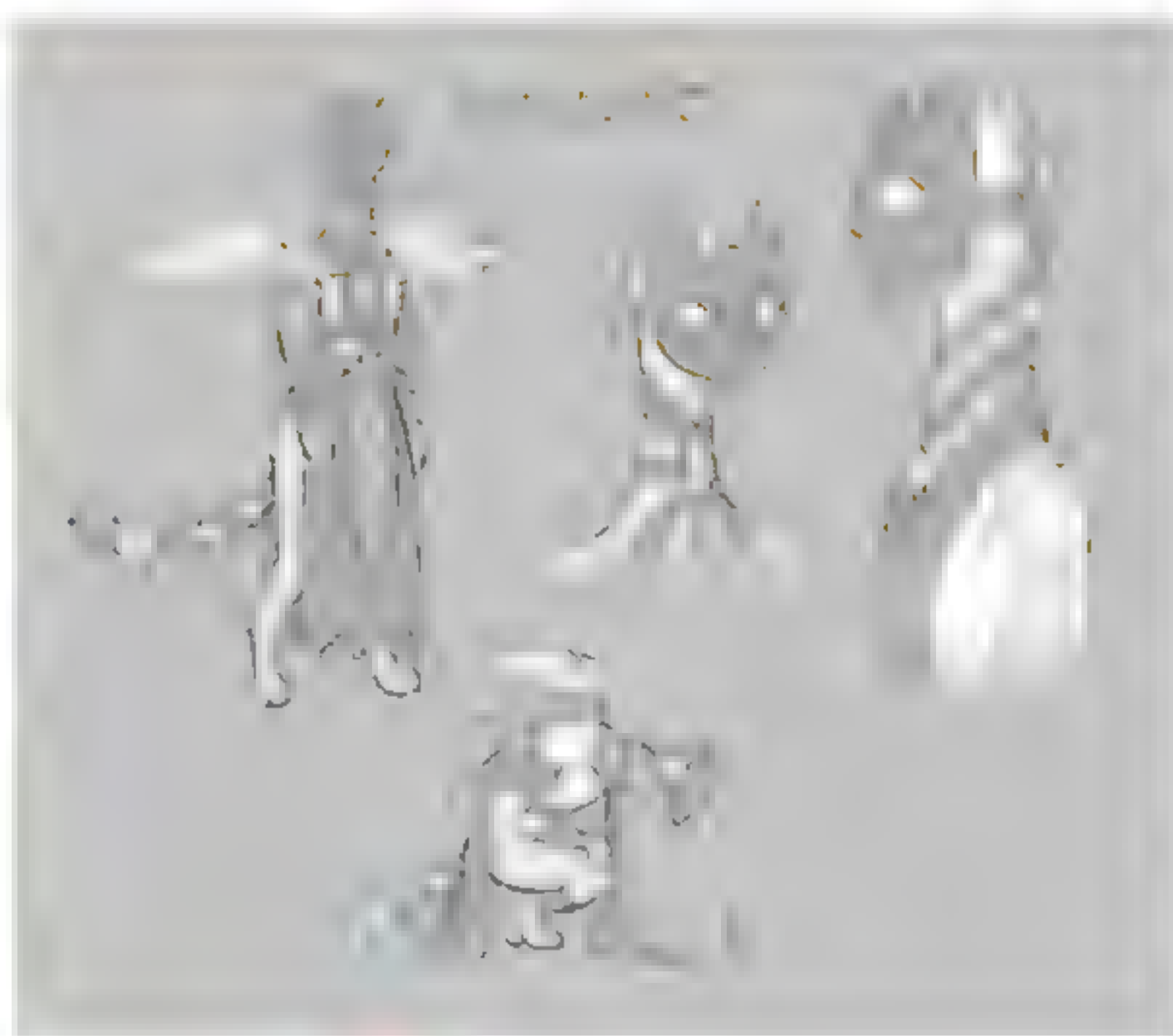


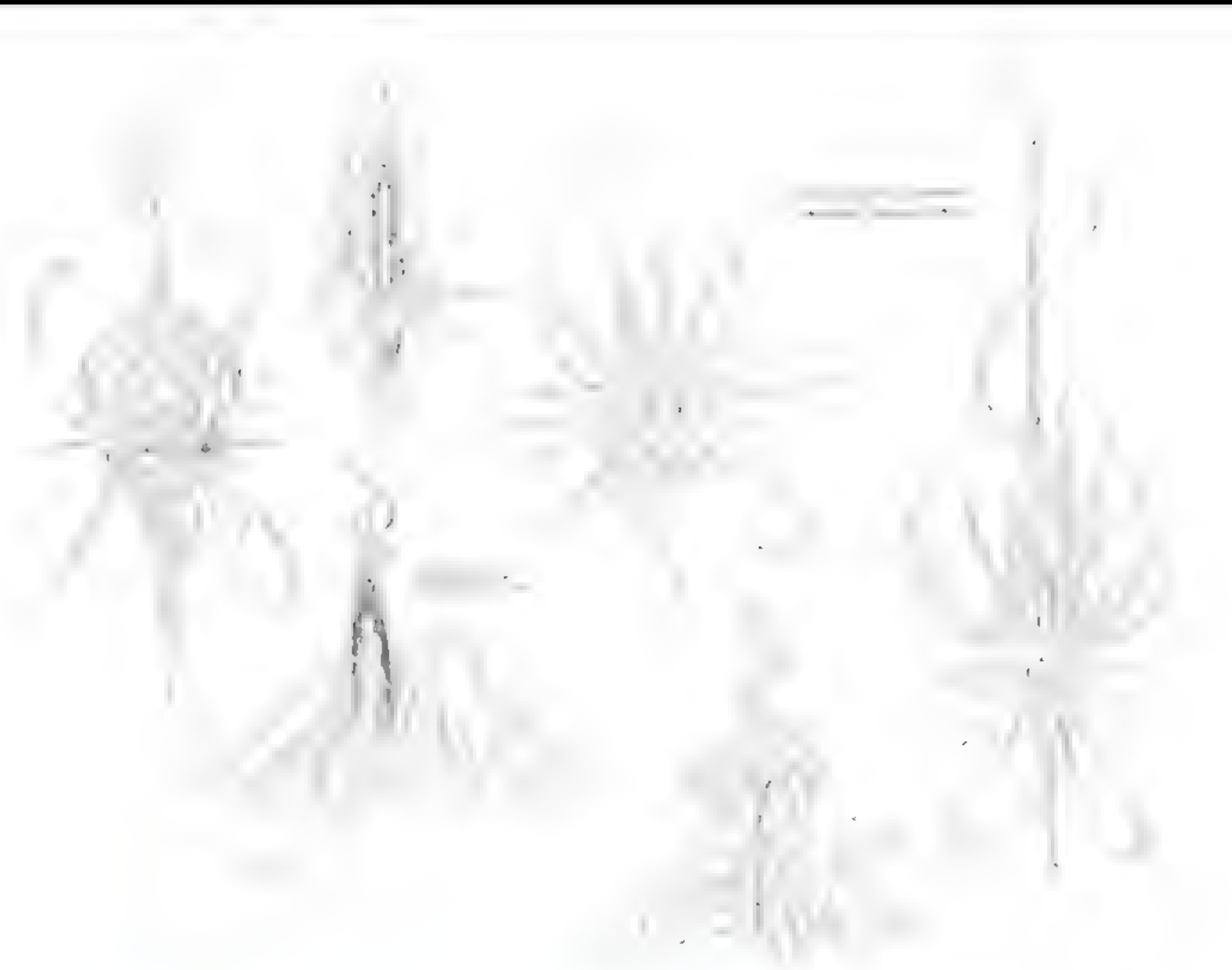
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A Sneak Peek at the Making of SWA





1
braid/long side



2
high bob cut



3
pixie



4
soft/round



5
braid/braid



lavender



ash



olive



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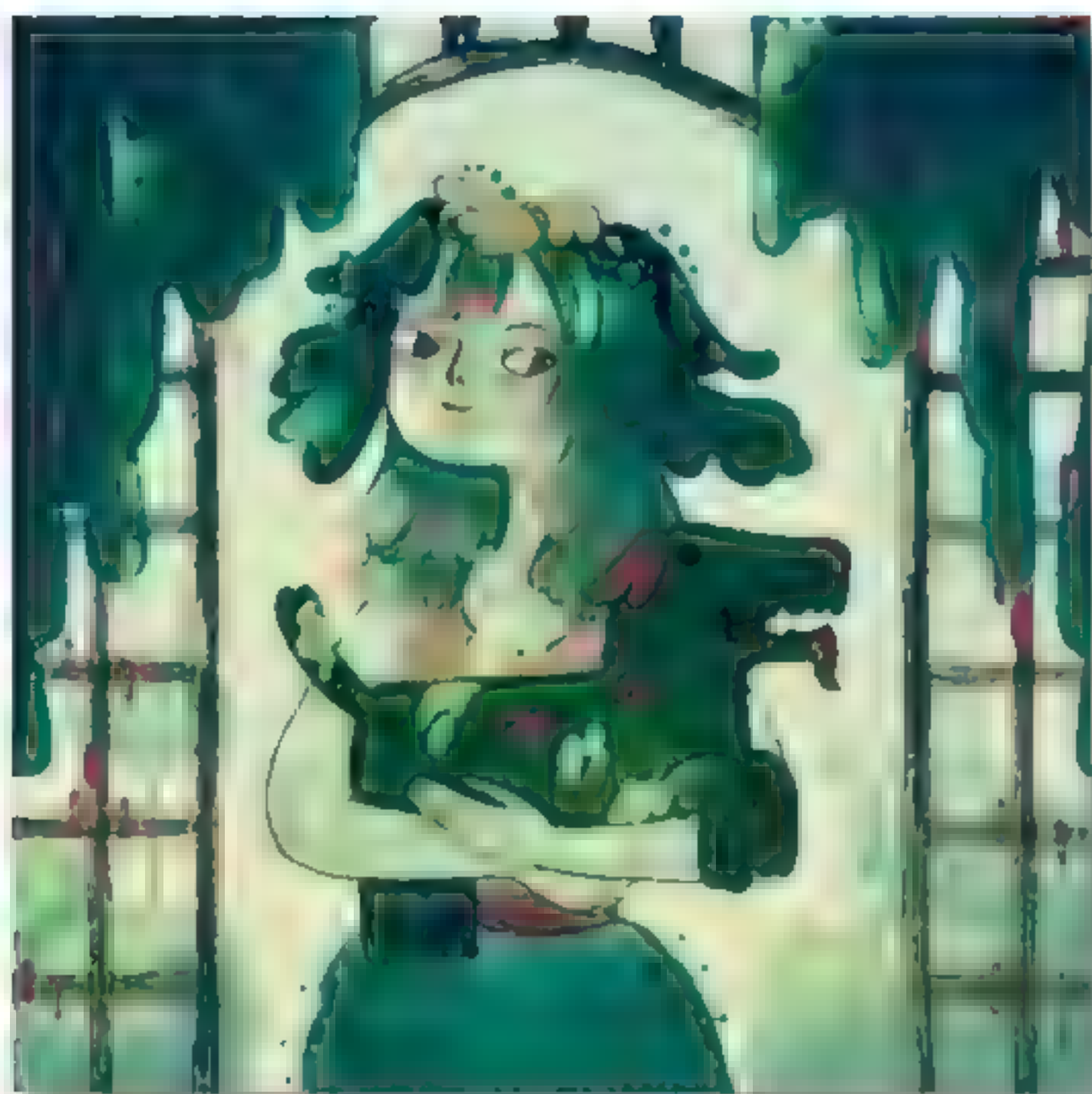
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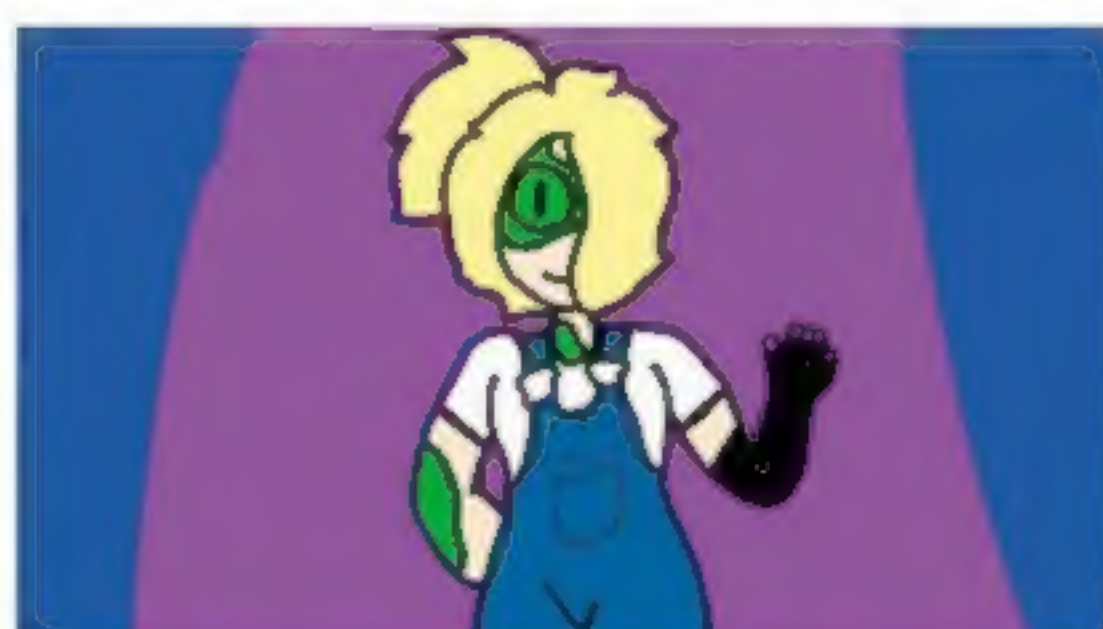
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GREAT PYRAMID



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YTH LOOKOUT

STARBUALA RANIBLA

SASHAN'S ESTUARY

LAKE OF THE SUN
TUEVDS BEACON

SUN QUEEN FOREST
LITTLE AMBRINE

Together they rise . . . or fall.

Oona Lee arrives on the mystical planet of Salassandra determined to light the beacon and stop the evil Mimic's plan to destroy the galaxy. But the beacon is encased in amber! Is the mission over before it's even begun?

A mysterious clue leads her to hunt for the lyrics of an old anthem that might unlock the beacon. While Oona searches, **Jax Amboy** must fight an enemy that is surprisingly . . . familiar? Meanwhile, Stan Moon attacks **An Tzu**, who discovers a shocking secret about his past. A secret that could be the key to defeating the Mimic—or cause their defeat. Because this time, it will take more than just Oona and her friends to defeat the Mimic and save the 5 Worlds—it will take an army 10,000 strong!

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